THE WEATHER.

Fair Friday and Saturday, somewhat colder Saturday.

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GOODS well bought, well advertised and in any sort of public demand are as good as sold. Better advertise them to create the demand.

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NUMBER OF SOLDIERS IN ERZERUM G[illegible] ESTIMATED AT 100,000

Petrograd Also Places Number of Guns Probably Seized at More Than 1,000.

5,000 RUSSIANS KILLED

Terrific Fighting Before Fortress Fell is Indicated in Turkish Report.

No Important Developments on Western Front.

Estimates from Petrograd place the number of troops in the Turkish garrison at Erzerum, the capture of which has been announced, at 100,000 men. The guns numbered more than 1,000. But it has not yet been officially stated that all of these troops and guns were taken by the Russians.

That the fighting before the fortress fell was terrific was indicated by a Constantinople report which not only announced the capture of Erzerum, but says that in the last three days before the communication was issued the Russians had lost 5,000 men killed.

No Other Important Developments.

Both Berlin and Paris report that there have been no important developments on the battle line in France and Belgium. On the Russian front there have been artillery engagements and isolated infantry actions at various points. In East Galicia hostilities have almost ceased for the present.

The Italians are still engaged in shelling the positions taken from them recently by the Austrians on the Rombon sector and also are keeping up their artillery actions against the bridgeheads at Tolmo and Gorizia. An infantry attack against Monte San Michele is reported by Vienna to have been repulsed.

Germany has apologized to the Dutch government and offered to pay an indemnity for the torpedoing recently of the Dutch motor vessel Artemis. The torpedoing is characterized by Germany as a blunder on the part of the commander of the German torpedo boat.

Grateful to America.

King Peter, of Serbia, at present in virtual exile on the Island of Euboea, in the Aegean Sea in a notable statement to an Associated Press correspondent, expresses his gratitude to the people of the United States for the relief work done by Americans among the sick and wounded and starving Serbian people.

King Peter also took occasion to say that for those of Serbia's allies who had remained faithful he had no reproach. "They came to our aid too late to save us," he said, "but they came."

That one of the Zeppelins in the recent raid on England was damaged by the British gunfire and later lost at sea, and that there is good reason to believe another has been damaged and put out of action, was the statement made in the House of Lords by Earl Kitchener, the British war secretary.

BRITISH LOSSES 2,000.

Claim of the Turks in One of the Expeditions in Mesopotamia.

Constantinople, via London, Feb. 17.—The losses of one of the British expeditions in Mesopotamia in a battle with the Turks near Bathia, west of Korna, amounted to 2,000 officers and men, according to an official announcement given out by the Turkish war department, under date of February 16. The statement also says that the Russians lost 5,000 men in killed in a three-day battle on the Caucasian front.

HAVE REACHED BAIBURT.

Russian Forces Arrive at Turkish City Northwest of Erzerum.

London, Feb. 18.—The Russian forces have reached the town of Baiburt, according to an Athens dispatch to the Daily News. Biaburt is 75 miles northwest of Erzerum, on the road to Trebisond.

CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE CHILD LABOR BILL ARGUED

Declared Similar to Law Prohibiting Interstate Liquor Traffic.

Washington, Feb. 17—Hearings on the House Child Labor bill continued today before the Senate Interstate Commerce committee. Thomas I. Parkinson, of Colubia University, argued the constitutionality of the law, which would restrict the age and hours at which children could be employed by denying violators the rights of shipping their goods in interstate commerce. He declared that this measure was in the same class as legislation denying interstate transportation to liquor into a dry state.

"The right to regulate carries the right to prohibit," Mr. Parkinson said. "The constitutional amendment guaranteeing individual rights 'except by due process of law does not prevent regulation or prohibition in cases involving public health or welfare."

AGREEMENT MUST COVER ALL POINTS

Germany Must Give Full and Complete Assurances.

AS TO U-BOAT WARFARE

United States Will Not Yield From Former Contention as to Attacks on Merchantmen—Lusitania Settlement Delayed.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The United States in its submarine controversy with Germany will accept nothing short of a full and complete agreement covering all the points for which it has contended as to assurances that the warfare in the future will be conducted in accordance with the established principles of international law. Secretary Lansing let it be known today that the State Department considers Germany's declaration of its intention to sink without warning after February 29 all Entente armed merchant ships to be inconsistent with the assurances previously given.

The tentative communication designed to end the Lusitania case will not be formally accepted until such assurances are given, although the communication insofar as it relates to the Lusitania itself, is acceptable.

Withold Ancona Settlement.

State Department officials also consider that the Austro-Hungarian memorandum regarding armed ships is not in accord with the assurances given by that government in the negotiations over the sinking of the Italian steamship Ancona. Consequently final settlement of the Ancona case probably will be withheld until Austria gives similar assurances to those now requested from Germany.

The views of the United States were explained in detail today by Secretary Lansing to Count Von Bernstorff. The German ambassador was informed, it was indicated at the State Department, that the United States desires the German declaration declaring armed merchant ships to be modified.

The ambassador sent a dispatch to Berlin, informing his government, it was said, that the United States wanted particularly to know whether the assurances previously given on the Lusitania and the Arabic still were in force.

Tonight it was stated emphatically in Teutonic diplomatic circles that Germany would not modify the declaration of her intention to sink armed ships or informe the United States the previous assurances still were binding unless Great Britain should give assurance that a submarine which warns a British armed steamship, would not be fired upon.

Nothing to Prompt Memorandum.

It was declared at the State Department that at no time had suggestions been made to the German government which could have led it to issue its latest memorandum. This answered statements made by German officials that the American memorandum to the Entente Allies suggest a modus vivendi for the disarming of merchant ships with the direct cause of Germany issuing her declaration.

The State Department is carefully viewing the assurances given in the early days of the war by Great Britain to the effect that the guns on her merchant ships would be used only for defensive purposes. It was admitted that the department has information charging that since the assurances were given certain British merchantmen have used their armament for offensive attacks on German submarines. The information came through German sources and is not regarded as being conclusive evidence.

Officials are now awaiting the receipt of what Germany alleges to be a copy of secret instructions given by the British government to the commanders of merchant ships. This document and others appended to the text of the German declaration have been mailed from Berlin.

HANS SCHMIDT, THE FORMER PRIEST, TO DIE THIS MORNING

Will be Electrocuted For Murder of Anna Aumueller—Statement.

New York, Feb. 17.—Hans Schmidt, the former priest, who is to be executed at Sing Sing prison tomorrow morning for the murder of Anna Aumueller, issued a statement tonight through his attorney, Alphonso G. Koelble, declaring he was "fully reconciled to die and willingly accepted death as retribution for his frailties."

Schmidt asserted, however, that he will be executed for "lying, not for murder," because Miss Aumueller's death resulted from an operation, but adds, "I felt morally responsible for the girl's death, and could not in honor drag those to ruin who took part in the operation at my solicitation."

CONVINCED BODY FOUND IS THAT OF CONSUL M'NEELY.

W. R. McNeely, His Brother, of Monroe, Wires State Department.

Washington, Feb. 17.—W. R. McNeely, of Monroe, N. C., telegraphed the State Department today that the published description of effects found on the body reported by American Consul Garrels at Alexandria, as washed upon the shore of Africa, convinced him that the body was that of his brother, Robert Ney McNeely, American consul at Aden, lost while on his way to his post on the British liner Persia.

BRANDEIS VIEWED FROM TWO ANGLES

Witnesses Point Out Both His Faults and Merits.

BEFORE SUB-COMMITTEE

Looked Upon as Very Capable, Energetic, Sincere and High-Minded, But at Times Unscrupulous and Not to be Trusted.

Washington, Feb. 17. — Two views of Louis D. Brandeis were placed today before the Judiciary sub-committee of the Senate investigating his fitness to be a Supreme Court justice. Moorfield Storey, a Boston lawyer, said Mr. Brandeis' reputation at the Boston bar was that he was a "very capable, very energetic man, and, if necessary to advance his objects, he is not scrupulous as to his methods nor is he to be trusted." Sherman L. Whipple, of Bostoff, described Mr. Brandeis as a man with sincere, high-minded motives; intensely centered in carrying out his own ideas and ideals; in love with the idea that he was "looking after the situation;" possibly a bit careless in his connection with one of his cases; and as holding himself aloof with the result that he had been misjudged.

Moses J. Strook, a New York lawyer, quoted Mr. Brandeis as having said that every one should get a square deal in the James T. Lennon bankruptcy case, which had been much discussed at the hearing.

Mr. Storey said he thought Mr. Brandeis had been unethical in bringing ten suits against the New England railroad in 1892, for interests other than the actual complainants, which preceded by a year the bankruptcy of the New England road, from which it emerged in possession of the New Haven railroad. He was unwilling, however, to give his opinion that Mr. Brandeis was employed to wreck the New England road. In the Warren will case Mr. Storey thought that Mr. Brandeis had acted as he himself would have done.

After expressing his opinion that as a lawyer, Mr. Brandeis was "able and learned; as a man conscientious and high minded," Mr. Whipple said he thought that Mr. Brandeis had possibly been careless in the Warren case in not making clear to Edward Warren all the effects of the transaction. He added that he had cross-examined Samuel Warren, and was convinced that there was no taint of dishonesty in the case.

"I think they have misjudged Mr. Brandeis," said Mr. Whipple. "If he had been definite, had not so held aloof and mingled more with the bar, discussed doubtful points with other lawyers, they would not have misjudged him. He is aloof, intensely centered in carrying out his own ideas, which I believe are pure and high-minded. Mr. Brandeis will do things of a startling character."

LEVER HOUSE BILL IS REPORTED FAVORABLY

For Census Statistics on Cotton and Cotton Seed.

Purpose is to Prevent Manipulation of Cotton Figures For Wrongful Purposes—Heflin Bill is Also Favorable.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The Lever bill to direct the Cencus Bureau to collect and publish statistics of cotton and cotton seed products was ordered favorably reported today by the House Agriculture committee.

A favorable report also was ordered on the Heflin bill directing the Census Bureau to publish statistics of raw and prepared cotton and linters, cotton waste and hull fibre consumed in the manufacture of gun cotton and explosives and of absorbent and medicated cotton during 1915.

Passage of the Lever bill would require the Census Bureau to publish monthly statistics as to the quantity of cotton seed received at oil mills, the quantity of cotton seed crushed at such mills, the quantity of cotton seed products and refined oil obtained, the quantity of these products shipped out by these mills and quantities held by refiners, manufacturers and users. Statistics showing the quantity of cotton seed and cotton seed products imported and exported also would be collected.

The Lever bill has the suupport of the Census Bureau, cotton seed cruushers' associations of the South, the cotton farmers and cotton seed trade gen erally. Representative Lever told the committee today that cotton is more readily manipulated than grain and the bill would benefit producers most of lal.

Mr. Lever said one New York brokerage firm spends $100,000 annually in cotton statistics and large suum also were spent by other concerns, but that the government's figures were the most accuurate of all and that without them the private statistics might be manipulated for wrongful purposes. The additional statistics sought under the bill would cost only $10,000 or $15,000 annually, he said.

AMERICANS GIVEN PROTECTION THAT IS WITHIN REASON

Lansing Upholds Recognition of the De Facto Government in Mexico.

IN LETTER TO SENATE

Response to Fall Resolution—Diplomatic Correspondence Withheld.

Washington, Feb. 17.—President Wilson sent to the Senate today his response to the Fall resolution requesting him to report on facts leading up to recognition by the United States of the Carranza government of Mexico. It was in the form of a letter from Secretary Lansing, summarizing the events which preceded recognition and transmitting a great volume of data.

The President, through Mr. Lansing, declined to comply with that part of the Fall resolution asking for diplomatic and consular reports on political conditions and events in Mexico. The Senate was informed that it was not compatible with public interests to furnish this correspondence inasmuch as it was of a highly confidential nature and submitted by consular officers of the United States, by diplomatic or consular officers of other governments which have graciously consented that their officers might supply this government with information during the necessary absence of American representatives and by other persons residing in Mexico.

As to Carranza's Ability.

As to the ability of Carranza to fulfill his promises to protect foreign lives and property, Mr. Lansing said that under all the circumstances the de facto government, which at the time of recognition controlled more than 75 per cent of Mexico's territory, was affording "reasonably adequate protection to the lives and property of American citizens."

The data disclosed that 76 Americans were killed in Mexico in the years 1913, 1914, 1915, as compared with 47 in the three years preceding and that 20 civilian Americans and 16 soldiers were killed on American soil in the last three years as a result of Mexican troubles.

When the report was received Senator Stone, chairman of the Foreign Relations committee, moved that it lie on the table and be printed as a public document. He made no comment on its contents.

Senator Fall expressed himself as disappointed because the President had not included the confidential correspondence.

The response to the resolution is expected to stir up a new discussion of the Mexican situation in the Senate and to bring a vote quickly on the nomination of Henry Prather Fletcher, as ambassador to Mexico. Senator Fall introduced his resolution when the nomination was sent in.

Republicans Raised Objection.

Republican members of the Foreign Relations committee held that the Senate should not consent to sending an ambassador to Mexico until it was thoroughly informed as to the character of the government to which he was to be accredited. In view of the report it is probable that the Foreign Relations committee will pass on Mr. Fletcher's nomination next Wednesday.

In submitting the list of 76 Americans killed in Mexico in 1913, 1914 and 1915, Secretary Lansing called attention to the fact that when the murder of American citizens was reported the Department of State made representations for the apprehension and punishment of the assailants and that in some instances the department's representatives made such representations to the appropriate officials on their own initiative.

Secretary Lansing's Letter.

Secretary Lansing's letter transmitting the report to the President dated February 12, 1916, in part follows:

"The government at present existing in Mexico is a de facto government which has definitely committed itself to the holding of popular elections upon the restoration of peace.

"This de facto government, of which General V. Carranza is the chief executive, was recognized by the government of the United States on October 19, 1915.

"It cannot be said that the de facto government is a constitutional government. Like the majority of revolution-

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THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Considered Nicaraguan and Colombian treaties in executive session.

Senator Hoke Smith introduced amendment to Military bill providing a regular army of 250,000 men.

Brandeis' nomination investigating committee continued its hearing.

Agricultural committee held hearing on Ransdell resolution for alsal investigation.

Received from President Wilson data on Mexican situation asked for in Senator Fall's resolution.

Adjourned at 5:35 P. M. until noon Friday.

HOUSE

Met at noon.

General debate on Postoffice appropriation bill was resumed.

Secretary McAdoo supported administration shipping bill before Marine committee.

Rear Admiral Grant continued his testimony on National defense before Naval committee.

Adjourned at 5:08 P. M. until noon Friday.

PLANS REGULATING COTTON EXCHANGES

Heflin Asks Co-Operation of Cotton States.

IN CONFERENCE FEB. 24

In Letter He Writes That Congress May be Asked to Give House Committee Power to Investigate New York Exchange.

Washington, Feb. 17.—In a letter sent today to governors and agricultural commissioners of the cotton growing states, Representative Heflin, of Alabama, urged co-operation in a conference to be held here February 24, at which the question of further regulation of the cotton exchanges in the United States will be discussed. The writer asserted that Congress may be asked to give the House Agricultural committee power to "investigate the workings of the New York cotton exchange."

Congressman Heflin also asked the governors and commissioners for suggestions regarding "confining future contracts to actual sales for delivery and to hedging transactions when spot cotton is behind the deal."

Limit Dealings to Producers.

"This," says the letter, "would practically limit dealing in futures to the producer, merchant and spinners and every bale dealt in for hedging purposes would represent a bale of spot cotton. If 10,000,000 bales are produced, then only 10,000,000 bales would be used in future contracts for hedging, making in all spot sales and future cotton contracts 20,000,000 bales.

The cotton exchanges in the United States sell in future from three to five million bales. Under the plan suggested the producer desiring to hold his cotton for a reasonable price could hedge. The merchant buying cotton from the farmer and wishing to hold until market conditions were agreeable could hedge and if the spinner buying cotton desires to hedge let him use the exchange for that purpose. Then real cotton would be the dominant factor in fixing and maintaining a stable price and only those who produce, distribute and consume cotton would have the right to use the future contract for hedging purposes.

Referring to the matter of cotton exchanges, the letter says:

Conspiracy to Depress Prices.

"Three members of the agriculture committee from the cotton growing states have complained to the attorney general that a conspiracy exists among the bear operators on the New York cotton exchange to depress and hold down the price of cotton. I am convinced that such a conspiracy exists. We may ask Congress for power to investigate the workings of the New York cotton exchange. At our coming meeting we will discuss the question of further regulation of the cotton exchanges of the United States and if you have any suggestion to make as to how best the cotton exchanges can be conducted so to make them helpful and not hurtful, but really useful in the distribution of the crop and so as to cause them to aid and not hinder the operation of the law of supply and demand, I shall be glad to hear from you."

NAVAL TRAINING CAMPS FOR CIVILIANS PLANNED

Similar in Outline to Military Training Camps

Secretary Daniels and Advisors Propose to Use Six Battleships for Month's Cruise Beginning About August 15th.

Washington, Feb. 17—Secretary Daniels and his advisors decided today to inaugurate a system of civilian naval training similar in general outline to that on which military training camps have been established at Plattsburg and elsewhere. It is planned to use six battleships to take those who present themselves for training for a month's cruise beginning about August 15th.

The vessels to be utilized as training ships will take on their student personnel along the Atlantic coast, probably at New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Portland and Charleston. It is estimated that six battleships will make possible the training of 2,500 men.

The plan, which was drafted by Assistant Secretary Roosevelt, proposes that the cost to the men shall be sufficiently low to enable those in moderate circumstances to join. The only compulsory requirement is that each volunteer declare his intention of giving his service to the navy in case of war.

The battleships used will be those on which the naval militia will train, consisting of the pre-dreadnaught Kearsarge and Kentucky and others yet to be designated. Under the plan the vessels after taking on the volunteers at convenient points will rendezvous, probably at Narragansett Bay, and cruise eastward to return to their home ports about September 6 or 7.

One week after the cruise is completed will be devoted to work in conjunction with the naval district defense organization which is composed of motor boat owners, yachtsmen, wireless operators and engineers. In all a four or five weeks' training will be given before the men are returned to their home ports for discharge.

The object of the plan is to establish

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GRATEFUL FOR THE AID OF AMERICANS

King Peter Speaks With Feeling "From His Heart."

HAS HOPE OF TRIUMPH

Speaking of His Allies, the Aged and Exiled Serbian Monarch Said, "They Came Too Late to Save Us, But They Came."

Aedepsos, Island of Euboa, Feb. 16, via Paris, Feb. 17. — King Peter of Serbia received a correspondent of the Associated Press this morning. Hidden away in this almost inaccessible spot, bent under his 72 years disillusionments and sufferings, physically broken, virtually blind, his crown gone, his native land over-run by ancient enemies, the exiled sovereign grimly clings to life in the hope of participating in the ultimate triumph of his countrymen.

The sorest trials have not dimmed the spirit or clouded the intellect of the king. He spoke with the same determined courage as characterized him when he led his soldiers to victory over the Turks, and analyzed the causes and meaning of the war with the cold logic of the man who translated John Stuart Mill into Serbian.

Though still feeble from the effects of heart-breaking marches through Albania, and unable to walk without assistance, he retained the keenest military activity and striking cheeriness, in the face of the disaster which has overtaken his family and country.

Speaks Gratefully of America.

"I have long wanted very much to speak from the bottom of the heart to the great heart of America, which is so deeply moved over the fate of Serbia and has done so much for our unhappy people," he said.

"It seems to me that somehow your compatriots have been able to divine in the struggles of a people, simple and rugged, but stubbornly individualistic, the same sacred fire which inspired the first Americans three hundred years ago to leave Europe to erect in the wilderness of America a home for freedom. They understand us. We speak the same language of liberty.

"And those of your compatriots who have come to us as doctors, nurses—the American Red Cross, the Serbian Relief and Sanitary commissions—all these brave young people who have so gladly given their young lives to fight typhus and the sickening effects of shells and epidemic, of whom not a few rest forever in Serbian soil, was it not they who brought to us the soul of a kindred people from America?

"Above all, today, when thousands of Serbian women and children, unable to flee, remain there, deprived of everything, dependent for bread and shelter upon the enemies of their country, it is they, your compatriots, who at this moment have unobtrusively set to work to succor the unfortunates who have lost all, who have need of all."

May God Reward, He Says.

The aged king leaned forward, fixed the correspondent with eyes wide open, almost sightless eyes: "May God, in His mercy, reward your country!" he cried, and, leaning back in his chair, closed his eyelids, remaining long silent, as one dreaming.

It could easily be seen that he was forcing himself with iron will to speak. He talked slowly, visibly wearied by the effort of many and divers memories of things which filled his long, adventurous life.

"I know what you are thinking," he continued finally. "You are wrong. For those of our allies who have remained faithful, we have no reproach. They came to our aid too late to save us, but —they came. They were not organized for war, nor ruled over by soldiers. Had they been so organized, so ruled, perhaps they would have been able to save us.

"Civilization cannot be made an engine of war and perfected to foresee every contingency. It is inherent in liberty that it acts slowly, clumsily, perhaps, but this very slowness and clumsiness constitute the strength of free peoples. Their triumph is long in coming, but none the less sure.

Freedom Versus Feudalism.

"I don't know if it is quite understood in America what it is all about, that almost the entire country is at war. But I will tell you in a word. It is supreme, the last effort of feudalism, a fight to a finish between the feudalism of yesterday and the freedom of tomorrow. So that is why war had to break out on the banks of the Danube and not elsewhere, for the Danube separates by so little the most intransigeant feudalism maintained by unworthy intrigues, like those of the smaller Italian states in the Middle Ages, from the most stubborn ideal of liberty, implanted in those ready to fight to the last man to realize that ideal.

"Yet we have always wanted to live at peace with the Austrians. Their way has not been our way, but we Serbs are like you Americans; it is part of our creed to live on good terms with our neighbors.

"But it is of the very nature of a feudal state that liberty cannot and must not flourish in the same vicinity and Austria arranged all that in the time of the Obrenovitches. Serbia was made merely a tributary to Austria. She was no longer free at all."

London, Feb. 17.—The government again found itself on the defensive in the House of Commons today. A score of members attacked the government's method of dealing with the merchant marine. Arthur J. Balfour, first lord of the admiralty, and Walter Runcyman, president of the board of trade, replied to the attacks.

SEABOARD FLORIDA LIMITED IN THIRD WRECK IN 2 WEEKS

Goes Through Trestle Near Richmond, Four Coaches Plunging Twenty Feet.

ELEVEN PERSONS HURT

Fifty-Seven Passengers Were on Train—Graphic Account of Accident.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 17.—Eleven persons were injured, several of them seriously, when the northbound Florida Limited No. 10 on the Seaboard Air Line railway, crashed through a trestle spanning Kingsland creek, eight miles south of Richmond at 10:70 o'clock this morning. The engine passed over the trestle in safety, but the baggage car leaped from the track tearing up the ties and rails and through this gap four coaches plunged and turned over on their sides at the bottom of the 20-feet embankment. Fifty-seven passengers were aboard the train and that there was not heavy loss of life is attributed to the fact that all of the derailed Pullman coaches were of heavy steel construction.

The derailment of the limited was caused directly by the dropping of an arch bar on the rear truck of the engine as the train approached the trestle. The bar opened a switch where the track branches off toward a gravel pit. As the front truck of the baggage car struck the open switch it left the tracks and ran on the ties a distance of 1,200 yards until it struck the guard rail on the trestle. This broke the air pipes and this applied the emergency brakes which derailed the Pullmans and the five cars went through.

Third Wreck in Two Weeks.

This was the third accident which has befallen the Florida Limited within the past two weeks. On Tuesday of last week, it was wrecked near Southern Pines, N. C., when Engineer David K. Wright was killed, and again on Tuesday of this week it met with disaster at Franklinton, N. C., where a negro fireman was killed and two trainmen were seriously injured, one of them fatally.

The Limited today was in charge of Conductor L. W. Renn, and Engineer W. J. Lowry. Captain Renn, who has been in train service for fifty years, was in the baggage car when the crash came and escaped with only a sprained hand, although the car turned over.

When news of the accident reached Richmond, a general call for the Boy Scouts was sent out and within 35 minutes 250 Scouts were rushing to the scene in automobiles to render first aid. Surgeons were hurried from this city in automobiles and a special relief train brought the injured persons to the various hospitals here.

Benjamin Chase, 416 New Jersey avenue, N. W., who was among the slightly injured, is given credit for saving the life of a woman passenger who had been hurled from the train and was about to topple over the bank of a deep ravine when he reached her side and dragged her ouut of danger.

Graphic Account of Wreck.

A graphic account of his personal experiences in the wreck was given by Dr. Theron Langford, of Ann Arbor, Mich., who was returning north with his wife, Mrs. Katrena Langford, and their 9-year-old son, Malcolm, after a visit at Tampa, Fla. All three were injured, Mrs Langford the most seriously:

"We were passengers in the Pullman car Idaho," he said. "Mrs. Langford and myself were seated on the west side of the car, and our son was asleep in a seat across the aisle when the accident occurred. There had been considerable swaying on the part of the train for sometime.

"Shortly after that the train seemed to begin swaying more violently than ever and, looking out of the window, I could see splinters from the ties flying through the air.

"The car seemed to lurch heavily and began to topple over. My wife dashed across the aisle and snatched up Malcolm in her arms. The next instant, so it seemed to me, both disappeared through the window.

"I must have become unconscious when the car turned over on its side. On regaining my senses I began to make efforts to extricate myself. I found a window that I could wrench open and began calling for my wife. I could hear her respond, and, of coursse, was tremendously relieved.

Groans From Different Directions.

"I could hear groans from different directions. There was one man near me who had a bloody head and a woman, who, I think, had been asleep when the crash came, seemed to be hurt. I succeeded in crawling through the window and found my wife and boy."

Mrs. Langford was cut about both legs and suffered considerably from shock. Their son was bruised slightly about the face and knee. Dr. Langford was severely cut and bruised about the right side of his face.

Hubert Lanier, a porter in the smoker, received a severe gash in the head, a broken finger and probably sustained internal injuries.

"I was in the foremost car and when it left the bridge I thought my time had come," he said. "It all happened so quickly that I can scarcely believe it myself. In crossing the bridge the engineer put on the brakes and let them off and put them on again. I saw several men with cuts

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CO-OPERATION IS ASKED BY SWEDEN

In Action Against Unlawful Seizures by British.

OF MAIL PARTICULARLY

Appeal is Made to United States in Note to State Department—No Action Until the Lusitania Case is Settled.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Another note from Sweden has been addressed to the State Department through Minister Ekengren, appealing to the United States for co-operation with the Swedish government and other neutral nations to maintain the preservation of rules of international law concerning the protection of neutral commerce and navigation. Action is proposed particularly against Great Britain because of the detention of mail by that country and other aggressions against trade regarded by Sweden as unwarranted.

Secretary Lansing informed the minister, it was learned today, that he could not answer the note until the controversy with Germany over the Lusitania case was settled.

This latest communication, addressed to Secretary Lansing and signed by Mr. Ekengren, was presented recently after such a proposal had been advanced and discussed from time to time, but until today the fact did not become known. Following is the text of the note:

Text of the Note.

"I have been instructed by His Excellency, the Minister of Foreign Affairs at Stockholm, to address the following to Your Excellency:

"The Royal government has, during the present war, from time to time proposed to your excellency that through co-operation it be sought to maintain and prove certain rules of international law which concern protection of neutral commerce and navigation and which are being violated by Great Britain.

"The violation of existing rules of international law has, regardless of protests, increased until at present onl a few rules serving as protection to neutral commercial intercourse are observed by Great Britain, and it is feared that also these remaining few will be violated.

"His Majesty's government, which is deeply conscious of its responsibility to not omit any measure, tending to prevent such an eventuality, and well aware of the danger for the future if these rules, which are of infinite worth to civilization as a whole, are not preserved, desires to herewith make a renewed representation to Your Excellency, in this respect.

"Of late the British authorities have violated the mail traffic. Parcel post from one neutral country to another is being unloaded in British ports and the contents are being seized. While parcel post is not protected through The Hague post convention, it nevertheless seems to His Majesty's government that the British procedure, in the form and extensiveness practices would be invalid even with regard to ordinary express goods, and that this seems particularly evident when the seizure of parcel post is directed against a means of conveyance under guarantee of sovereign powers. Besides, great personal inconvenience is connected with seizure of this kind.

"However, England's present practice of censoring also first class mail, sent from vessels from one neutral country to another is an even greater violation of the rights accorded neutral powers by the rules of international law. It is not necessary to particularly point out how contrary this practice is to the stipulation in the above mentioned Hague convention, which stipulations or rules must be considered to have been in existence even before the promulgation of this convention.

"The Royal government therefore now appeals to the government of the United States for co-operation for the purpose of seeking to bring about a discontinuance of the violations of international law, at least so far as the same concerns first-class mail, and it solicits as early answer as possible, whether your excellency is willing to take appropriate action in co-operation with the Royal government, and eventually, the governments of other neutral countries, for the purpose of causing that the rule which the question involves—and which is one of the fundamental stipulations of international law—to be observed."

IF BACK HURTS BEGIN ON SALTS

Flush the Kidneys at Once When Backachy or Bladder Bothers—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

No man or woman who eats meat regularly can make a mistake by flushing the kidneys occasionally, says a well-known authority. Meat forms uric acid which clogs the kidney pores so they sluggishly filter or strain only part of the waste and poisons from the blood, then you get sick. Nearly all rheumatism, headaches, liver trouble, nervousness, constipation, dizziness, sleeplessness, bladder disorders come from sluggish kidneys.

The moment you feel a dull ache in the kidneys or your back hurts, or if the urine is cloudy, offensive, full of sediment, irregular of passage or attended by a sensation of scalding, get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any reliable pharmacy and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush clogged kidneys and stimulate them to activity; also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer causes irritation, thus ending bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which all regular meat eaters should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and the blood pure, thereby avoiding serious kidney complications.

TO MRS. FLAGLER GOES BULK OF KENAN ESTATE

It is Said to be Worth Probably About $50,000

Will of Mrs. Thos. S. Kenan Not Filed Yet, However—Wake Masons Have Delightful Affair, Raleigh News.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17.—While the will has not yet been filed for probate, it is learned that the bulk of the estate of Mrs. Sallie Dortch Kenan, widow of the late Col. Thomas S. Kenan, clerk of the Supreme Court, is left to her niece, Mrs. Henry M. Flagler, the multi-millionaire widow of the lamented Standard Oil and Florida railroad magnate. The estate is probably worth about $50,000.

All Blue Lodge Masons in Raleigh and Wake county were invited to be guests of Raleigh Chapter No. 10, Royal Arch Masons, Enoch Council No. 5, Royal Select Masters, and Raleigh Commandery No. 4, Knights Templar, at a Masonic smoker tonight and the great majority of them were there. It was a jollification of the most interesting sort with marked enthusiasm for the furtherance of the best interests of the Blue Lodge and the higher orders of Masonry all now growing rapidly. C. A. Eury, as chairman of the joint committee, was master of ceremonies and a complete success was scored.

Returns and Find Office Gone.

B. C. Beckwith, for five years county attorney for Wake county, returned today from Harnett county to find that in his absence he had been superseded by J. Wilbur Bunn, who represented Wake in the last Legislature. Mr. Beckwith had been resisting efforts to dislodge him from the county attorneyship for some time and he says certain members of the board took advantage of his absence from the city and of the absence of one of his strongest supporters among the commissioners, and voted to give Bunn the place. He has not made up his mind yet, he says, whether or not he will make any fight. He had planned to resign anyway March 1, but he says he resents being treated as he was and may decide to resist being put out of the office.

NAVAL TRAINING CAMPS FOR CIVILIANS PLANNED

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a naval reserve of civilians exclusive of former enlisted men and those of the professional sea-faring classes.

The expenses per man is not expected to exceed $30, while he would pay for his food and provide the necessary clothing, making it possible for the navy to carry out the plan virtually without expense.

MRS. ELIZABETH BLAND DEAD.

Aged Lady Passed Away Soon After Last Midnight.

Mrs. Elizabeth E. Bland, 75 years old, died at 12:10 o'clock this morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary L. Cox, No. 909 North Third street.

Mrs. Bland is survived by two daughters, Mrs. J. N. Bowden and Mrs. Mary L. Cox, of this city; and four sons, J W. Bland, of Warsaw; L L. Bland, of Wallace, and J. I. and L. C. Bland, of this city

The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

FIDDLERS' CONVENTION.

Affair at Wallace is Pronounced a Big Success.

(Special Star Correnspondence.)

Wallace, N. C., Feb. 17. — The Fiddlers' convention, held here last Friday, was pronounced a grand success. The music was very enjoyable. T. C. Murphy and Ed. Balcum won first prize; J. L. Williams and Robert Williams took second prize; N. F. Murray and Joe Turner, third pribze, while Jirion Murphy and J. O. Turner were awarded the prize offered for the best pair of dancers.

CAUCUS APPROVES REPEAL OF THE FREE SUGAR CLAUSE

Kitchin Bill is Expected to Pass Both Houses Before May 1.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Repeal of the free sugar clause of the Underwood tariff was approved as a party measure late today by the House Democratic caucus. The vote was 84 to 20. As the law now stands sugar would go on the fgree list May 1 with a consequent estimated revenue loss at the rate of $40,000,000 annually. The repeal, which is expected to pass both houses before May 1, is provided for in a bill prepared by Majority Leader Kitchin. Mr. Kitchin told the caucus today that the prepardness programme was going to cost the government a great deal of money, and that the expense would have to be met with as littleb urden upon and annoyance fo the people as possible. He said that while the committee had not formed any conclusions, he thought the majority sentiment favored meeting the preparedness expenditures mainly from the income tax and by resort to an excise. tax on special articles and munitions manufacturers.

ARE TEMPORARILY SAFE.

Residents of Newelton, La., in Urgent Need of Food, Says Mayor.

Newelton, La., Feb. 17. — Mayor Jacoby, of Newelton, said tonight that thus far all the inhabitants marooned in this neighborhood by the flood waters were in places of temporary safety, but that food was needed at once for 2,500 persons. No boats or food had been received here early tonight in response to appeals for relief sent out today. Most of the 2,500 marooned persons, it was stated, are negroes, rescued from plantations, many of whom have been without food for 48 hours or more.

SEARCH FOR JEAN CRONES AT CHICAGO NOT ABATED.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—There was no abatement today in the search for Jean Crones, supposed poisoner of the banqueters at the recent dinner at the University club in honor of Archbishop Mundelein. Government officials who have scrutinized the mass of letters seized by the police in the poison plot took the view that indications of a spread anti-government conspiracy had been brought to life and advocated immediate steps to defeat it. A plan to utilize a force of 50 secret service men in raids on anarchistic centers was discussed.

IN THE REALM OF SPORTS

HARTLEY VS. HANSON TONIGHT

Long Anticipated Bout Between Englishman and Swede Expected to be Best of the Season.

Herbert Hartley, welterweight wrestling champion of Europe, and Fritz Hanson, the fast little Swedish grappler who has made Wilmington his home for the past six months, will meet in a finish match at Woolvin Hall tonight for a purse of $200 or more and 75 per cent of the net gate receipts. Judging from the preliminary interest that has been manifested and the advance sale of seats, the match promises to be the most largely attended since the revival of the mat game here, and there is little doubt in the minds of the local fans that it will be the most hotly contested along strictly scientific lines.

The men will enter the ring at 148 pounds, and the match will be two falls out of three to a finish, with the strangle and toe holds barred. Billy Tomz will referee, and Louis T. Moore is the stakeholder. The men have posted a forfeit of $25 each to make the 148 pounds weight, and they will post their side bets today.

Hartley, who holds the English championship belt at 10 stone, or 140 pounds, has a long string of victories to his credit, both on this side and across the water. He has been wrestling in this country since several months before the present European war broke out, and makes his headquarters at Utica, N. Y. He has been in the city since last Sunday morning, and has trained each day for his match with Hanson. He appears wonderfully confident of his ability to throw Hanson.

The local man, in his usual quiet way, is doing no boasting, but he has been training hard, with big Max Schmidt as his training partner, for the past several weeks, and his admirers here are certain that he has never been in better condition than at the present.

The match tonight will begin promptly at 8:15 o'clock, and there will be no preliminaries. Ladies will not be admitted free when accompanied by escort, as has been the custom in the past, but will be charged admission the same as men.

The articles of agreement covering the match tonight are as follows:

This agreement entered into this, the 14th day of February, 1916, to govern, and to bind, a wrestling match to be held Friday evening, February 18th, 1916, between Fritz Hanson, of Wilmington, N. C., and Herbert Hartley, of Utica, N. Y.

Witnesseth:- 1. The referee shall be "Billy" Tomz.

2. Best two falls to a finish, catch as catch can style.

3. Winner of match to receive 75 per cent net receipts, loser 25 per cent.

4. If either man should quit before two falls have been won, his opponent shall receive all net receipts.

5. In case either man is disabled, and is advised not to continue by a physician or surgeon, then the winner shall have 75 per cent of the net receipts, and the loser 25 per cent.

6. Toe hold and strangle hold to be barred, this rule to be construed as not allowing a man to use the toe hold while on offensive.

7. The wrestlers shall be considered as on the mat as long as head and shoulders are on the mat.

8. When wrestlers are declared off mat, the under man, by direction of referee, shall come to center, on hands and knees, with other man taking top position.

9. Neither man shall be allowed to use any grease, liniment, or similar preparation on body or head, both to be subjected to strict examination by referee before match begins. Either wrestler also to have privilege of examining his opponent.

10. No kicking, biting, or gouging to be permitted by referee and regulation wrestling shoes shall be used.

11. Wrestlers to weigh in at ringside at 148 pounds, both wrestlers to post forfeit of $25 to make weight. If either man fails to make 148 pounds, and his opponent is within the limit, man failing to comply shall forfeit his $25. Forfeit money to be posted immediately.

12. Match shall begin promptly at 8:45 P. M., both wrestlers to be in the ring at 8:40 o'clock.

13. Stake holder to be Louis T. Moore.

14. Side bet of not less than $100 to be posted by each man Friday, February 18th, at noon sharp.

Signed:

FRITZ HANSON (Seal)
HERBERT HARTLEY (Seal)

Witness—Louis T. Moore.
Witness—H. E. Longley.

AMERICAN LEAGUE HOLDS ANNUAL SCHEDULE MEETING

Names of Purchasers of Cleveland Club to be Announced Next Week.

New York, Feb. 17.—President B. B. Johnson represented the new owners of the Cleveland Club at the annual schedule meeting of the American League here today. After playing dates for the coming season were adopted, the league executive stated he would announce some time next week, the names of all those interested financially in the purchase of the Cleveland club. He said, however, that J. C. Dunn, a Chicago contractor, held the majority of the club's stock.

Phil Ball, who recently acquired the St. Louis Browns, was introduced to his fellow club owners and made a speech in which he described some of his experiences as a club owner in the Federal League. He said that his first year in that venture cost him $88,000 and during the second year he lost about $94,000.

The delegates requested President Johnson to ask the National Commission for permission to "farm out" 15 instead of eight players under the optional agreement and on the second year's option to increase the number to five instead of two, which is now the limit under the rule.

The league agreed to allow the minor leagues to send out their contracts to players up to March each year. Similar action was taken by the National League here last week so that the matter now awaits the endorsement of the National Commission. Formerly these contracts had to be tendered before February 1.

An amendment to the draft rule, proposed by President Ebbetts of the Brooklyn club and sanctioned by the National League a week ago, was discussed, and as there seemed to be no particular opposition to such a change in favor of second division clubs, this also was passed up to the National Commission for ratification.

NINE FOOTBALL GAMES.

Called for in Davidson's Schedule for Next Fall.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Davidson, N. C., Feb. 17.—Davidson's 1916 football schedule calls for nine games. Only one date at present is pending and, judging from the spirit that has always been characteristic of Davidson men, all of the games will be creditable to the college. The schedule follows:

Sept. 30—University of Virginia at Charlottesville.
October 7—North Carolina A. & M. at Charlotte.
October 14—Georgia Tech. at Atlanta.
October 21—Citadel at Davidson.
October 28—Roanoke College at Roanoke, Va.
November 4—Furman at Greenville, S. C.
November 11—University of North Carolina at Winston-Salem.
November 18—Pending.
November 30—Clemson at Charlotte.

CHARLES PICK SOLD.

Third Baseman of Baltimore Internationals Goes to the Athletics.

New York, Feb. 17.—Manager Jack Dunn, of the Baltimore Internationals, today announced the sale of Charles Pick, third baseman, to the Philadelphia Americans. It was learned that Harry Smith, catcher, last year with the Brooklyn Federals, had been told to accompany the New York Americans on the southern trip with the promise of a contract if his playing proves satisfactory.

COMMISSION NOT TO MEET.

Chairman Hermann Says Matters Pending Will be Settled by Mail.

Cincinnati, Feb. 17.—August Herman, chairman of the National Baseball commission, said today that there would be no meetin g of the commission at New York this week. He stated that the commission would settle all matters pending before it by mail.

SEABOARD FLORIDA LIMITED IN THIRD WRECK IN 2 WEEKS

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and bruises about their face and one woman appeared badly huurt."

"The train was going 60 miles an hour when the accident occurred," said C. G. Wilson, of Peteraburg, an eye witness. "I was on an electric car coming from Petershuurg. We got to the place about three minutes after the accident occurred. The passengers were still pinned in the cars and those on the electric car went to their rescueu.

"Windows were smashed and the glass and other debris was strewn all around the wreck. I saw one man who was badly hurt. He was still breathing, but he looked as if he had little chance for recovery. We did our best and finally got all i nsight out of the wreck. There may have been others that we did not discover uunder the cars."

List of the Injured.

Following is a list of the injuured:

Dr. Theron Langford, of Ann Arbor, Mich., severe lacerations of the face and bruises.

Mrs. Katreena Langford, wife of Dr. Langford, cut and bruised about the legs, suffering from shock.

Malcolm Langford, 9 years old, son of Dr. and Mrs. Langford, slightly bruised about the face and leg.

Harvey L. Blanton, baggage master, Richmond, cut about the head.

Mrs. W. M. Collins, Cleveland, Ohio, right arm wrenched, suffering from shock

David E. Drake, Newark, N. J., injured about the head.

W. A Martin, Houston, Me, severe lacerations of the face and head and injures to the back.

J. E. Naylor, Washington, D. C., injuries to the left shoulder

Benjamin Chase, Washington, D C., finger mashed.

Hubert Lanier, colored, Newark, Pullman porter, lacerations of the head and broken finger.

One male passenger, who suffered slight bruises, was taken to a hospital where his name was not made public.

It was stated tonight by members of the wrecking crew that the tracks would be cleared and re-opened to traffic by midnight The Seaboard wrecking crew is at Franklinton, N. C., clearing up after the wreck there on Tuesday and a Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac crew was sent to clear the tracks after today's disaster.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

Says Only Nine Hurt in Wreck of Limited—Cause Not Determined.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 17.—The following official statement regarding the wreck on the Seaboard Air Line near Richmond, was given out from the office of President Harrison tonight:

"Seaboard Air Line passenger train No. 10, Conductor L. W. Renn, Engineman W. L. Lowry, at 10:20 A. M. today, derailed tender and five cars at Bellewood, Va., between Chester and Richmond. Four of the cars were partially turned over and fifth car derailed. Nine persons were injured; no one killed. A special train carried the injured persons to Richmond, arriving there at noon where they are being given every possible attention.

"The cause of the accident has not yet been definitely determined but the railway officials are on the ground making full investigation. The list of injured follows:

"H. L. Blanton, baggage master.
"Mrs. W. L. Collins, Cleveland, O.
"Mrs. Catherine Langford.
"David E. Drake, Newark, N. J.
"W. A. Martin, Houston, Me.
"Mrs. George Howard, Washington, D. C.
"Mr. George Howard, Washington.
"G. C. Hannahan, New York.
"Mrs. Dacosta."

What Thin Folks Should Do To Gain Weight

Good Advice for Thin, Undeveloped Men and Women.

Thousands of people suffer from excessive thinness, weak nerves and feeble stomachs who, having tried advertised flesh-makers, food-fads, physical culture stunts and rub-on creams, resign themselves to life-long skinniness and think nothing will make them fat. Yet their case is not hopeless. A recently discovered combination of assimilative agents has made fat grow after years of thinness, and it is also unequalled, judging from reports, for repairing the waste of sickness or faulty digestion and for strengthening the nerves. This remarkable preparation is called Sargol. Six strength-giving, fat-producing assimilative elements of acknowledged merit have been combined in this preparation, which is endorsed and used by prominent people everywhere. It is absolutely harmless, inexpensive and efficient.

A few weeks systematic use of Sargol should go far to produce flesh and strength by correcting faults of digestion and by supplying nourishing fats to the blood. If not, every druggist who sells it is authorized to return the purchase price. Increased nourishment is obtained from the food eaten, and the additional fats that thin people need are thus provided. All leading druggists supply Sargol and say there is a large demand for it.

While this new preparation has from reports given splendid results as a nerve-tonic and vitalizer, its use is not recommended to nervous people unless they wish to gain at least ten pounds of flesh.

ENGINEER WELLS IS DEAD.

As Result of Injuries Received in Seaboard Wreck Tuesday.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17.—Engineer Wells, who was injured in the wreck of Seaboard Air Line No. 10, Florida Limited, at Franklinton Tuesday, died this afternoon at 4 o'clock in Rex Hospital here, after the most intense suffering from a crushed leg and severe scalds over much of his body.

Mr. Kellum Dies at Hospital.

The many friends of Mr. Edward Kellum, of Kellum, N. C., will be deeply grieved to learn of his death which occurred about 2 o'clock yesterday morning at the James Walker Memorial Hospital. Mr. Kellum was 66 years old and an uncle of Woodus Kellum, Esq., of this city. The remains were taken to Kellum by train yesterday afternoon, and interment will be made in the family burying ground at that place.

WILMINGTON TO HAVE MEAT PACKING HOUSE

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and dies, and the law-abiding farmer from competition with the outlaw, who sells inferior meats purchased in the city as if they were actually produced on his own farm.

Views of Farmers.

Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator, and Mr. W. D. Rhodes, secretary of the Wilmington Co-Operative Truck Growers' Association, presented at some length the attitude of the farmers of New Hanover county as to the proposed inspection regulations. Mr. Herring said in part:

"As to the marketing of fresh meats under sanitary conditions, the farmers are in favor of this proposition. As it is, animals are produced and slaughtered by farmers in New Hanover county under the most sanitary conditions of probably any county in the South.

"The only thing we are interested in is that no regulations shall be imposed which will discourage the raising of meat animals, or handicap the farmer in marketing his meat products. The farmers are usually very careful to market their meat in a sanitary manner. While we market only 10 per cent of the meat sold in Wilmington, we believe that this percentage could be materially increased, and would be in favor of any plan which is calculated to extend the market for home-grown meats.

"Federal inspection of meats slaughtered in Wilmington would probably work no hardship on the farmers of New Hanover county, but Brunswick and Pender county farmers are going to kick.

"Conditions for the raising of hogs in this county are excellent, but when you go out among the farmers they will tell you there is no market for them. We can raise pork in New Hanover county for three cents a pound."

Mr. Rhodes Speaks.

Describing himself as a small farmer, Mr. Rhodes stated that in what he had to say he was only giving his personal views, which might or might not coincide with those held by other farmers of the county. He said:

"Conditions are far from satisfactory. They are neither satisfactory to the consumer nor to the producer. Some few consumers who wish to buy cheaply may prefer the unregulated methods under which meats are now sold to a considerable extent.

"If Federal inspection will give us a livestock market in Wilmington it will greatly benefit the farmer, for a market for the animals they raise is what they need. I think Wilmington is about the sorriest market you can find anywhere at present. Meat has been sold on this market for as low as six cents. How can the farmer make anything when he gets such prices?

"Meat dealers in Wilmington will not buy hogs; they can't handle them in competition with unlicensed dealers. They want pigs, and there is no money in raising pigs. I raise a few pigs and hogs on my farm. Recently I had three pigs on my place which I decided to dispose of. One weighed 95 and the other two 75 pounds, I drove from Nixon to Dawson street trying to sell those pigs. Every dealer would ask me what they weighed and when I told him, he would throw up his hands and say, 'Those aren't pigs, they are hogs.'

"You can't sell a hog here, and it's no use to raise a 40-pound pig and then pay for having it butchered. Now, you can see what we farmers are up against.

"However, if the inauguration of a system of Federal inspection will give us a livestock market here, so that when there is a glut on the local market they can be shipped elsewhere, or if it will help us get packing house facilities, I don't think the farmers are going to kick much against the proposition."

Opposes Inspection.

Mr. T. B. Prease, in his remarks strongly opposed the proposed resolution providing that all meat slaughtered in the city be subject to Federal inspection.

Mr. Prease stated that he was familiar with every phase of packing house inspection methods in vogue in the West and minutely described conditions in packing houses in that section of the country, He declared that he had seen carcasses and parts of carcasses, which were so diseased, that after they were hung up they would fall to the floor before they could be taken to the cooling rooms. He stated that this meat had been duly stamped by the Federal inspector.

Dr. C. L. Holt, the local Federal Inspector, said that some of the more important features of Federal regulations were those governing the selection of the site of the slaughter house, and the use of analysed water, the purity of which was guaranteed to contain no germs. He explained that Federal inspectors are very careful in their work to see that meats unfit for consumption are rejected and condemned. He pointed out that an inspector takes a medical course which qualifies him to pass upon the question of the fitness of animals or meats for use as food, and that they are conscientious in the performance of their duty.

Mr. Greene Fenley, president of the Sans Souci Abattoir Company, declared that his company stood ready to put the price for slaughtering animals for farmers at the lowest possible figures. He stated that the abattoir would do the work for 50 cents a head for beeves, and for 25 cents a head for calves, pigs, sheep and lambs, weighing not over 100 pounds, and 35 cents for those over 100 pounds in weight.

Mr. John W. Batson, president of the Wilmington Meat Dealers' Association, stated that his organization had protested to City Council against the sale of fresh meats by hucksters and others, who are not licensed to do this sort of business and do not pay the high license tax required of butchers; and that they had been told to seek a remedy for this condition from the Board of Health. He called attention to the fact that many hucksters are masquerading as farmers, and thus getting out of paying a license to deal in meats.

Dr. R. B. Slocum, the newly elected member of the board, was present at yesterday's meeting, as was also City Attorney Robert Ruark, who participated in the discussion as a representative of City Council.

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More Fatimas are sold than any other cigarette costing over 5c. Today's the day you should try them.

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One out of every three people die of Lung Diseases—all started with a Cough.

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They clear the stomach, liven up the liver, stimulate the secretion and flow of the bile, have a good tonic effect on the whole intestinal tract.

Of Foley Cathartic Tablets, Mr. E. J. Hudson, a dealer of Cross Keys, Ga., says: "I believe for a thorough cleansing movement of the bowels, without the slightest inconvenience or sickening, I believe the Foley Cathartic Tablet the best on earth. It's a perfect cathartic, with no bad effects. My customers are highly pleased with them. They always satisfy beyond their expectation."

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NO POTASH IN BOX LYE BEING SOLD FARMERS

State Agronomist Williams Advises Against Its Use

Chief Williams Says it Cannot Take Place of Potash and That Its Use Will Hardly Be Found Economical

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17.—Officials of the division of agronomy, State Department of Agriculture, do not believe that the box lye being offered for sale to the farmers of the eastern part of the State as a substitute for potash can replace the latter material, nor do they believe that ordinarily it will be an economical material to use, according to a statement just issued by Chief C. B. Williams to "Farmers inquiring about box lye as a source of potash for fertilizers."

"As a matter of fact," says Mr. Williams, "we have yet to find on our markets a brand of box lye that claims to contain any potash whatever. All the lyes we have been able to find are soda lyes." Mr. Williams' statement on this subject of great interest just now to farmers in Eastern North Carolina is as follows:

"During the last few months, the division of agronomy of the experiment station has received a number of inquiries especially from the eastern portion of the State, where potash is generally most needed, with reference to the advisability of using box lye as a source of potash in fertilizing crops this year. It is quite evident that this material is being offered for sale for this purpose since practically all commercial forms of potash have been cut off at present.

"Replying to such inquiries, we have indicated that the potash that might be contained in box lye probably has as high value for fertilizing purposes as has the potash in the commercial potash salts, if the lye is used in the proper way, but that the lye was a difficult material to handle. We have called attention to the fact that any potash contained in the lye would probably be largely in the caustic or hydrated form, and hence be quite active. It should, therefore, be exposed to the air for a certain length of time before being applied to the soil. Upon such exposure, it loses its causticity by being changed to the carbonate form as would be the case with burned lime when exposed to the air. Ordinarily, however, it is not a question of whether any potash contained may be useful or not, and get good results, but whether the lye obtains any potash to speak of, and if present, is the lye an economical source of this plant-food constituent. In order to determine these points definitely, it must be known what the percentage of actual potash is present in the lye. With this fact at hand, it is possible to determine if potash derived in this way is conomical for fertilizing purposes. It is more than probable, however, that any potash contained in box lye is as expansive or more so, than potash derived from muriate of potash or other potash salts even at the high prices the latter salts are quoted on our markets at the present time. This seems to be a logical conclusion, for were it not so, it would appear that the manufacturers of box lye would put their product upon the market as a fertilizing material instead of in the form they are now doing, as it would in most cases be cheaper for them to do so. As a matter of fact, an examination of two of the leading brands of box lye (Red Devil and Star) sold in the State at the present time do not claim to contain potash at all, although a very small amount might be present, as an impurity. The manufacturers of Red Devil Lye claim 76 per cent of sodium hydroxide, 2 per cent. sodium carbonate, 1.5 per cent. sodium chloride, 0.5 per cent. of sodium sulphate and 20 per cent. of moisture, etc., while the claim for the content of Star Lye is 70 per cent. sodium hydroxide, 8 per cent. of sodium carbonate, 10 per cent. sodium chloride, 10 per cent. sodium sulphate and 2 per cent. moisture, etc.

"Any farmer buying any one of these for potash for fertilizing purposes, therefore, may be disappointed in the results secured, as they neither claim to contain any potash nor could they contain any except as a trace of impurity, if the analyses are correct. There may be other brands of box lye on the markets of the State that contain potash, but it has not been possible for us to find any of them on the Raleigh market."

Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 17.—The Democratic State committee has been called to meet here February 26 to determine the method of nominating candidates for governor and railroad commissioner from west Tennessee and for selecting delegates to the St. Louis convention.

FEW FOLKS HAVE GRAY HAIR NOW

[illegible] Local Druggist Says Everybody is Using Old-Time Recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Hair that loses its color and lustre, or when it fades, turns gray, dull and lifeless, is caused by a lack of sulphur in the hair. Our grandmother made up a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to keep her locks dark and beautiful, and thousands of women and men who value that even color, that beautiful dark shade of hair which is so attractive, use only this old-time recipe.

Nowadays we get this famous mixture by asking at any drug store for a 50 cent bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," which darkens the hair so naturally, so evenly, that nobody can possibly tell it has been applied. Besides, it takes off dandruff, stops scalp itching and falling hair. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; but what delights the ladies with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur is that, besides beautifully darkening the hair after a few applications, it also brings back the gloss and lustre and gives it an appearance of abundance.

REAL CAMPAIGN BEING WAGED FOR L. W. YOUNG

Auditors Still Busy on State Department Books

Maxton Connection Matter to be Heard February 24.—New Corporations Chartered—Additions to the Hall of History.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17.—The New York auditors brought here by the State Board of Internal Improvements to make a general audit of the State Treasury, the office of the State Auditor and other State departments, are still engaged on this task. A general balance of the Treasury has been made, but the books of the other departments have to be brought in and compared and checked.

They are now checking the stubs of warrants on the Treasury issued by the State Auditor and comparing them with the warrants as cashed by the Treasurer. One of the auditors is checking over the 1879 bonds for the consolidation of the State's indebtedness. It looks like the work of the auditors will not be completed for probably a month yet.

All the officers of the North Carolina National Guard in Raleigh have endorsed Adjutant General Laurence W. Young for assistant secretary of war and they are seeking endorsements from every other desirable source possible. Indeed, National Guardsmen throughout the State and leading citizens in the vicinity of every company in the State are endorsing General Young for the place. All this, too, without any personal effort on the part of General Young, who is not personally active in the matter.

General Young's mail continues flooded with endorsements and personal assurances of active interest in getting him in the War Department as assistant secretary, where they believe he will be a most valuable man for the development of the National Guard. Endorsements are also coming from many other states where National Guardsmen are manifesting keen interest in the appointment of General Young, who is a member of the National executive committee and of the special committee on legislation for the good of the National Guard.

A charter was issued today for the United Motor Lines Co., of Mooresville, capital $50,000 authorized and $1,500 subscribed by E. P. Yates and W. B. Pollard, of Winston-Salem, and C. C. Ward, of Mooresville, for operating motor lines for passengers and freight between various towns in the Mooresville section, including Winston-Salem.

Another charter is for the Kelford Chero-Cola Bottling Works, of Kelford, Bertie county, capital $10,000 authorized and $2,500 subscribed by A. Simpson and others for a general soft drink bottling business.

Hearing on Maxton Connection.

The Corporation Commission will give a special hearing February 24 in the matter of the petition from citizens for the Seaboard Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line to adjust their train schedules for connection at Maxton for Fayetteville. Both railroad companies are resisting any requirement for them to change present schedules. The Seaboard insists that to change its train involved would break connection at Hamlet and the Atlantic Coast Line pleads a similar result for its train at Parkton on the main line. There is now a break of 35 minutes in the Seaboard train, Hamlet to Wilmington, and in the Coast Line train with which connection is demanded at Maxton involving travel from Charlotte to Fayetteville.

In the State Hall of History Manager F. A. Olds has just installed a special case of old coins and currency that gives a clear representation of coins and bills for the past 3,000 years, there being old Roman coins, early English money, American Colonial and the later monies issued in the early days of North Carolina's statehood down to 1875. It is a unique case that is attracting much attention.

Colonel Olds has recently added, also, a unique candlestick that was once the property of General LaFayette and was used by him. It was given to General McRae, of Fayetteville, by General LaFayette and is loaned to the Hall of History by his great niece, Mrs. S. G. Ayer.

MRS. SUSAN BOND IS DEAD.

Was Granddaughter of First Governor Under State Constitution.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 17.—Mrs. Susan Bond, 72, a granddaughter of Richard Caswell, the first Governor under the constitution of North Carolina, is dead at her home here following several months' illness. She had been a sufferer from heart trouble for some time. Mrs. Bond was well-known in the city. She was the mother of the late W. R. Bond. Mrs. Atwood Bizzell and Paul and Clarence Bond, grandchildren, were reared by her after the death of their mother when all were small, and their affection for the aged lady was remarked. She had spent all of her life here, was a woman of plain ways and flawless character, and was never wont to pride herself openly upon her distinguished ancestry. She was a member of Caswell Street Methodist church, and Rev. E. N. Harrison, pastor of that church, will conduct the funeral service.

BATTLESHIP PENNSYLVANIA STARTS ON HER TRIAL RUNS.

Largest United States Warship Sails From Newport News.

Newport News, Va., Feb. 17.—The super-dreadnaught Pennsylvania, the largest battleship yet built for the United States navy, left the plant of the Newport News Shipbuilding & Drydock Company today for Rockland, Me., to run the official government speed endurance trials. The first two days of the voyage will be devoted to tests of the warship by her builders and the government runs will begin February 22 with the standardization trial over the measured mile course off the Maine port.

ACTION IS DEFERRED.

Nicaraguan Treaty Will Again Come Up in Senate Today.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The Senate went into executive session again today on the Nicaraguan treaty, but Senator Stone was unable to obtain unanimous consent for consideration of the ratification resolution and it was decided to defer action until tomorrow, when Senator Stone will move for another executive session.

THEATRICAL

Hobart Bosworth, distinguished Broadway star, is featured in "The White Scar," a five-reel drama of the Canadian woods, one of the most lavish and picturesquely staged dramas of a fast passing phase of American life that has ever been filmed. Supporting the noted star of the screen drama is a great cast of stars, including Anna Lehr, Jane Novak and Frank Newburg.

The story of "The White Scar" is laid in the Hudson Bay country and deals with love, romance and the adventures of "Na-Ta-Wan-Gan," which is Indian for "The Great Trapper," and in this character Mr. Bosworth is at his best. In picturesque hunting costume, surrounded by his Indian followers, all of whom are genuine native Indians, he is seen on the trail or in the great birch canoes, or at the trader's post, where dwells the factor's lovely daughter, down great rivers deep in the forest vastness, the bigness of Bosworth and the nobility of the character he plays are simply compelling in their absorbing interest.

There's more than ordinary punch in the scores of thrilling situations and each and every one of them set in the most marvelous outdoor scenes ever used in a picture. It's a great feature, a compelling photoplay and is guaranteed to please every one who witnesses it today, the big feature at the Royal.

"Girl and the Game" Today.

Today at the Grand comes the fourth great chapter of "The Girl and the Game," the serial photoplay of guaranteed thrills, a photoplay serial that is making new box office records throughout the whole United States. "The Girl and the Game" is the first great railroad serial—it's strange that this great opportunity should have been overlooked until the Girl and the Game Company took notice of it, and proceeded to get Frank Spearman, past-master of writing railroad stories, to write his greatest novel for the films.

Today's chapter, full of thrills from beginning to end, also contains the usual "guaranteed" extraordinary thrills, including a struggle to the death on the edge of a high cliff; Helen's plunge into the ocean from a dizzy height; a stirring night race between an express train and a speed launch, containing some of the greatest night photography ever seen in a motion picture. Come early. The crowds will be larger than ever!

There's another great feature—two of them in fact—but one of them is another great Keystone scream, starring those inimitable Keystone stars who created film comedy that is funny. Don't miss it, and also another great feature.

Great Day at Bijou.

It's a great day at the Bijou today! The twenty-ninth—next to the last—chapter of the thrilling "Diamond From the Sky." of course, heads the bill. And well it might, for absolutely it beats the limit for thrills—absolutely there's been none of the twenty-eight great chapters in this serial that have come up to the twenty-ninth chapter for pure unadulterated thrills by the bushel.

Next week brings the great serial to a close. Therefore, you who saw last week's chapter know there are many things to do and tell in the next two chapters. So look out for some big surprises in today's two-reel episode, and be in at the final and its thrilling finish next week.

There's another rare treat for Bijou fans today—no more nor less a favorite than our old friend, Ford Sterling, hero of a million laughs, in a great two-reel Keystone comedy knockout, "Dirty Work in a Laundry." If you want to simply fall out of your seat with laughter, just take a peek at this rouser, and you'll surely accomplish your purpose. It's a winner, and there's no mistake about it. Two whole reels, too!

"The Raven"—Tomorrow.

In a tumble down hut at Fordham, in the outskirts of New York City, Edgar Allen Poe sat by the bed of his dying wife. The snow sifted through the poor patched roof and broken door, and the midnight winds swept it in drifts across the floor. The beautiful young wife was wrapped in Poe's old army coat, her only covering. She needed warmth and food, but Poe was penniless.

In the night hours he watched his adored wife, starving, shivering with cold, until death released her. His sensitive soul was torn with horror and despair. Out of blood and anguish was born what has since been acknowledged as one of the greatest masterpieces of the English language—"The Raven."

Essanay has created a wonderfully artistic six-act photoplay of "The Raven," founded on Poe's life, as presented in the widely known novel and play by George C. Hazelton, and directed by Charles J. Brabin. Henry B. Walthall, the living image of Poe, with Warda Howard, the great emotional actress, make of this masterpiece a drama that throbs with life and intense action—a film masterpiece, which is to be presented at the Royal tomorrow—probably the biggest offering of the month, but at the usual admission prices.

The Bohemian Girl.

Mirth Carmen as Arline, in the Bohemian Girl all star revival, comes to the Academy of Music tomorrow, matinee and night.

"I dreamt that I dwelt in Marble Halls,
With vassals and serfs at my side;
And of all who assembled within those walls
That I was the hope and the pride.
I had riches too great to count,
Could boast of high ancestral name;
Buut I also dreamt, which pleased me most,
That you loved me still the same."

Dawn is just breaking upon the camp of the Gypsies; out of the tent comes the slender form of Arline. Before she begins her song the audience realizes a treat is in store, as the magnetic presence and the sweet appeal of Miss Carmen in her gorgeous attire as the pet of the Gypsy band is a foreruunner of what is to come. As her glorious voice rings forth in the sentimental ballad the audience sits spellbound, and night after night the rafters ring as the last sweet note dies to a whisper and swell again in bell-like clearness; it is seldom indeed that Miss Carmen does not have to take from four to five encores.

To hear Miss Carmen sing "I Dreamt That I Dwelt In Marble Halls," to see her slight girlish figure and beautiful face and wonder how all the voice comes from suuch a slight body is to realize why The Bohemian Girl is the world's favorite and to likewise realize why among all of the American singers this artist was chosen for the part of Arline in the famous all star revival.

The matinee prices will be 50 cents, 75 cents and $1. The night prices will range from 50 cents to $2. Tickets are on sale at Plummer's.

WILMINGTON TO ASHEVILLE

Conference at Albemarle to Formulate Plans for Highway Through the State.

Albemarle, N. C., Feb. 17. — A conference has been called to be held here on March 9, next, for the purpose of formulating plans to secure the completion of a modern highway from Wilmington and Newbern in Eastern North Carolina to Charlotte and Asheville in Western North Carolina. President W. L. Mann, of the Piedmont Commercial Club, has sent the following letter to t he newspapers in the territory concerned:

"It seems that the opportune time has arrived for constructing a highway that will connect the towns and counties of eastern North Carolina with those of western North Carolina; two eastern objective towns—Newbern and Wilmington; two western objective towns—Charlotte and Asheville; a central objective—the big development on the Yadkin. The value of such a highway to intervening towns and counties can not be estimated.

"A conference has been called to be held in Albemarle on March 9, 1916, at noon, when and where it is expected to formulate plans for constructing this highway. To this conference delegations from some twenty-five or thirty towns and counties have been invited. I take this means of inviting you and any other newspaper men who may be interested in the building of this highway to attend this conference. Will you pass the word along? Also any citizen in any town or county along the lines in prospect are invited to attend this conference.

"With the great increase in travel by motor a splendid highway traversing a community holds equal importance with a railroad. I trust we will have your hearty co-operation in making known to the public this important conference to be held in Albemarle March 9th, and, in addition, calling attention to the benefits to be derived from such a highway."

MORAL PREPAREDNESS MORE THAN PHYSICAL PREPAREDNESS

Capt. Johnston, at Chapel Hill, Points Out America's Greater Need.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 17.—Capt. Gordon Johnston ,aide-de-camp on the staff of Gen. Leonard Wood, U. S. A., spoke Tuesday evening before a large and deeply interested University audience. Captain Johnston's talk was made under the auspices of the Chapel Hill branch of the National Security League and served to awaken and stimulate interest in the league. Dr. J. M. Booker, permanent chairman of the Chapel Hill branch, presided over the meeting.

This was not the first time that Captain Johnston has faced a Chapel Hill audience. Back in 1896 he coached the University football squad, assuming this position the year following the expiration of "Doggie" Trenchard's first term as University coach.

Taking up his subject in a logical manner, Captain Johnston first told of the origin of the present-day preparedness movement; then he reviewed the past military history of this country in order to show that there never has existed a true spirit of moral preparedness. And this feature he stressed as being of the greatest importance. "It is far easier," he said, "to supply and provide the munitions of war than to supply the spirit which would support the country in case of a war. The preparedness we need is not a physical but a moral preparedness.

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TOP O' THE MORNING

The quality of our sentiment is always determined by the quality of our faith. —JOWETT.

Probably the Gulf Stream decided to leave us a few days.

The flower of the family and the flour for the family rarely ever become pals.

The house cat might be more sanitary if it wouldn't do its paling with an alley cat.

All their ideas of national preparedness are no better than all other ideas of preparedness.

Those who don't know what the devil they want are willing to leave it all to Teddy.

It is not good discipline for a commander-in-chief's staff to quit him when a campaign has to be fought.

It is quite a joke on a town for the roads in the country to be in better condition than the streets in the town.

If you are invited to go on Mr. Ford's next peace voyage, don't disagree with him and those who are in charge of the dove of peace.

"Ideal Man Discovered." Of course, he is only one of them, so the ideal men of Wilmington have no reason to think that they have been overlooked.

If President Wilson is being guided by psychology, he won't go very far out of the way. The signs of the times keep on indicating that the President is right.

Most all of them get brazen when they get rich enough to intimidate the government. As a general thing they intimidate the Republican party and make it take their choice.

It is said that Wall Street works only five hours a day, but, of course, it often takes The Street only a few minutes to do some of its work when it has a new sucker to work.

A New York official whose salary was $12,000 a year has resigned because he thinks the office is superfluous. There are others, however, who would never admit that they are holding a sinecure.

This is one of the years when a number of men with exalted opinions of themselves would like to see public opinion get in line with theirs so they could have a chance at the presidency.

The Columbia State gives Colonel Roosevelt credit for the remark, "Mr. Wilson is afraid of only two men —the Kaiser is one and I am the other." The Colonel flatters himself, even if he has to give the Kaiser the place of honor.

Marion Butler had to butt in with his log schoolhouse recollections under the stupid delusion that he could get forward looking men to look back and compare an 1898 abusurdity with a 1916 reality. He must have an idea that the people haven't found out that a terrapin has no showing in a race with a rabbit.

Everybody seems to have some hard luck as he or she goes through life. In Milwaukee on the 13th of February—just look at 13—a stylishly dressed girl on a trolley car bounced out of her seat in a jiffy and began to get rid of her clothing with lightning-like haste. She had discovered a rat in her skirts, and while the panic lasted there was nothing for the men passengers to do but look out of the windows. The girl's escort finally crushed the rat between the folds of her skirt and acted as maid till she got back into her clothes. A flood in Milwaukee has driven thousands of rats from the basements and a costly campaign is being carried on against the rodents. A rat surely is a horrid thing, and it is now about time for Wilmington to get rid of some of that element of its population. There is no telling when a near tragedy may be enacted after the season for rats is opened.

THE NEWSPAPER A COMMUNITY ASSET.

The Salerno Commercial Club, of Salerno, Fla., was organized to boost that promising town, but the boosters found out that endeavoring to boost a town and section without a newspaper was making noise without being able to can it.

Realizing that the main thing about boosting is the publicity part of it, the club established the Salerno Enterprise to give emphasis through it as a medium for the vitalized energies and plans of those who believe in the town. Under the circumstances, they were compelled to recognize that the potential need of a town is a newspaper through which the spirit and progress of the town could be manifested or proclaimed to the outside world. The Salerno boosters knew of their own knowledge that they were boosting, but it was like exhausted steam, which goes up in the air with no place to go, after it has made its noise and vanished into spray.

The Salerno Commercial Club was up against it hard when it found itself without a newspaper. The members learned from experience that a newspaper has a well-defined value attached to it—two kinds of value, in fact; a value more or less important to the owners and publishers, and yet another very signal value to the community in which it is published. A community really may not have a dollar's worth of stock in its newspaper, and yet a good newspaper is one of the very best assets of a town.

Some people of a community or section do not know that, or they never give it serious thought, but they ought to wake up and appreciate what their local paper and its plodding proprietor are are doing for them. It does not make any difference whether a newspaper is a big one or a little one, they all call for plodding and lots of it. Recently the plodders on Columbia's two excellent newspapers had reason to feel as if they had been entirely overlooked as two important assets of the city. Of course, they didn't take it seriously, but the Columbia Record, in noticing that the local Chamber of Commerce had published a list of the potential factors contributing to the progress and development of the city, referred jocularly to the fact that the two newspaper plants of the city, possibly representing a capitalization of $500,000, had been overlooked.

Yet these newspapers are great industrial enterprises on whose pay roll there is carried a large number of employes who represent a type of producers equalled in but few institutions in the city. The value of those papers to the city had been carelessly overlooked, but, as a general thing, newspaper men are so modest that they don't want to be always reminding the public that their community has a value asset in its newspapers. The fact is, many communities get more value out of their newspapers than the publishers themselves.

Those Salerno boosters have proved that they are live and public-spirited fellows. They have dug down in their pockets to purchase printing machinery and establish a newspaper. They have set up a valuable industrial enterprise for their town and its object is to do all it can for the community—everybody in it. Possibly, however, they will have the experience of most all publishers. Some reckless persons, who may dislike something that is said in the paper, may drop a postal card ordering the paper to be "stopped," or will seek to injure the paper by cancelling an advertising contract. That is the way some folks have of trying to swat a newspaper. They give way to pique or prejudice, and their motive to do injury is indicated in their deliberate action to deprive a paper of revenue. Those same fellows would not be caught throwing a brick at a newspaper publisher, but they openly inflict the kind of punishment that would put him out of business if the balance of the folks in the community would cooperate in financially ruining him by shutting off his supply of simoleons.

However, newspaper publishers are so constituted that instead of manifesting great perturbation at the idea that some fellow has "stopped the paper," they smile as usual and buy just as many "hot dogs" as usual. In fact, the circulation manager probably is the only man about the newspaper shop who knows when a fellow orders his subscription struck out instanter, and as a general thing the circulation manager is so callous that nobody could hope to make a goat of him.

SYSTEMATIC LIVESTOCK PROMOTION.

The Central of Georgia Railway is determined that the livestock industry shall be promoted along all its lines in southern Georgia. The company's agricultural agent last year had a four crop contest between boys in its territory, and twenty-three boys on twenty-three different farms in twenty-three counties were the prize winners. According to its plan, the railroad company has awarded each of the twenty-three boys a registered shorthorn bull, so the boys are giving attention this year to cattle raising and its possibilities.

This means, as observed by the Savannah Morning News, that the strain of cattle in twenty-three Georgia counties is to be greatly improved. The descendants of the Georgia scrub cows are to be improved by cross-breeding, and gradually the scrub kind will eventually disappear off the face of the land. The present effort is centered on producing better beef cattle, and meanwhile the farmers are buying thorough bred dairy cows.

Down in the adjoining state of Florida, the agricultural department is engaged in a campaign to make Florida a great hog state. The razorbacks are being supplanted by better breeds, and boys are proving that they can sell more meat at less cost from one of their hogs than dad can sell as the product of two to three razorbacks. The department is giving the boys a correspondence course in hog raising, and the plan is proving to the moss-backs that new methods are making their old method look like thirty cents.

Systematic livestock promotion is being carried on in south Georgia, Alabama and Florida, and in at least two of those states ten packing houses have been established to provide a market for the increased cattle and hog production of the three states. Interests at Pensacola will establish a large packing house in order to attract the Gulf livestock trade to that enterprising city.

SLOWING DOWN IN EUROPE.

At the present time the European belligerents continue to import huge values in munitions of war from the United States, but the British government proposes to cut down many imports that are classed as luxuries, or other imports that are not absolutely necessary. After March 1, according to a royal decree issued at London, it will be unlawful to impart a large number of commodities except under board of trade license. Amng them are manufactured tobaccos, leaf tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, sugar, furniture, hardwoods and a variety of paper stocks. The idea is based on economy and there is to be no buying unless it is of necessaries

Germany also is prohibiting the importation of luxuries. In spite of the embargo blockage, Germany has been importing such articles from somewhere, but purchases of goods not absolutely necessary are now blacklisted.

This embargo on imports is bound to affect the export trade of the United States. We are going to find from hand to mouth markets in Europe very soon, so we need not expect Europe to go wild on buying cotton and other things now being shipped in large volume from this country. Great Britain has stocked up on all the tobacco she says she will need for two years, and the probability is she has largely done the same thing as to cotton.

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF BUTLER'S "BREAK."

When you think of a person whom you have not seen in fifteen years, the picture in your mind is that of the person as he appeared when last you saw him, even though he may be a man of 30 years who was a boy of 15 when you knew him last. In the same way, when you think of a town or community with which you were familiar fifteen or twenty years ago but which you have not seen in a dozen years or more, you see in your mind the place as it was when you knew it last. Whatever information you may have received in the meantime of changes that have taken place does not obliterate from your mind the picture of the person or place as you saw them and knew them last.

This is the only explanation we can suuggest for the action of Marion Butler, intelligent man that he is, in undertaking to attack the Democratic party in North Carolina at probably its strongest point. He knows the records of the amount of money spent on the public schools of the State during the days of his dominancy and he compares this with the amount being spent now, and the contrast is admittedly great. At the same time, the one-time United States senator, having been many years out of North Carolina, sees the educational conditions in the State, not as they are today, but as they were in the heyday of his glory, when log huts were the rule in the country districts, with one teacher to the school at an average salary of $22 and an average term of 3 1-3 months throughout the State, with the school attendance poor.

Because of his continued absence from the State, he is not familiar with the tremendous progress that has been made, in the matter of school equipment, the longer average term, the greater efficiency of the teachers, the greatly increased attendance, the uniformity of the school system and the magnificent results being achieved. Of course, he has occasionally visited the State during these years, but he has not lived in North Carolina and has not had the old picture obliterated from his mind by constant familiarity with conditions as they are. He has the figures of increased expenditures and the picture of the old conditions. This, it seems, is the most charitable view to take of the recent remarkable "break" of a brainy man.

PROVIDE WORK FOR CHILDREN.

To the Editor of The Star:

A reply to Mr. Gore's article of February 11th.

I read with interest the article mentioned above, and must candidly say that I heartily agree with Mr. Gore's main point; namely, that all children should be taught to work with their hands. That "an idle brain is the devil's workshop" cannot be denied, and that idle hands are his tools is equally true, so we repeat, no child's education is properly rounded unless he is taught manual labor.

If children should work, an opportunity should be furnished them to do remunerative work. There are many children in this town, whose parents cannot provide them with regular employment. The chores around their homes can be finished with little effort, and even if the home duties were sufficient to occupy the children, there would not come therefrom the stimulus obtained from remunerative employment.

Children need to earn money—they never learn to save until they do earn their own money. Right at this point, I wish to make an appeal to Mr. Gore and to other public-spirited citizens of Wilmington and New Hanover county, to enter into a business entertprise which I shall fully explain, that will give employment to a large number of these children so much in need of such employment.

If a child is taught; first, sanitation; and, second, the use of its hands and brain, who is the beneficiary? The answer is, to those who will help build this enterprise with money. You are simply loaning it—it will be paid back with interest—and you have been the means of helping to teach and add to their happiness. What per cent do you wish to add to their comfort while the days are going by and you can?

Please reply from a substantial standpoint.

Respectfully presented by
R. W. HICKS.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 17, 1916.

CURRENT COMMENT

A member of the South Carolina House of Representatives, elected over his protest to a place on the circuit bench, declines to accept the position because of his conviction that "the office of judge, while providing daily bread, offers little opportunity for provision for the future." Isn't this a pretty serious situation? Is opportunity for service on the bench in South Carolina to be closed except to men of means? There is an alternative, of course, but mention of it in print is not pleasant. Surely the people of South Carolina must want as judges the ablest and best men who are available. The only way to secure such men in future is to pay the market value for their services. Unless that is done one of two things must happen; the judgeships will gradually be taken over by rich men concerned with maintaining and strengthening property rights, or else they will be occupied by mediocrities. Is either prospect a happy one?—Charleston News and Courier.

Mr. W. C. Hammer, United States Attorney for the western district, has been the victim of more or less hectoring on part of the Republicans, the latest effort being the employment of Marion Butler as engineering prosecutor and the filing of charges against Mr. Hammer with the Department of Justice at Washington. Republican hopes ran high that out of this effort dire things might arise in the pathway of the District Attorney and there were many exultant prophecies. Meantime, it was observed that Mr. Hammer did not seem to be disturbed over the outcome and said nothing. His vindication has come in the practical throwing out of court of the charges. As a result of the investigation the Department of Justice instituted, the matter was summarily dismissed. Mr. Hammer had been acused of aiding and defending election frauds in his district and since the Government probe has been used and nothing found, it is to be supposed the District Attorney will cease being pestered for a spell, at least.—Charlotte Observer.

The two-bit dinners of the chamber of commerce are acquiring what is technically known as class when they begin to use Presidential timber for props. Senator Burton is everywhere recognized as a Republican possibility, that is to say, a figure of national prominence. If he were to make merely a political speech he would draw a good crowd, but since his address is to be strictly economic, without being hampered by the real or supposed necessity of attacking or defending any party, it ought to be doubly interesting. Senator Burton is conceded to be among the country's most eminent publicists on certain lines; he will be in his own field tonight, and what he will have to say will be noteworthy as the conclusions reached by a powerful intellect after long study of problems that affect us all. It is eminently appropriate that the chamber of commerce should be host on such an occasion. The chamber of commerce is strictly a Greensboro institution, if you please, and should devote all its time to Greensboro's problems. But where does Greensboro end? Surely not at the lines perpendicular to Elm and Market streets and intersecting them 5,280 feet from the court house—the lines which define the corporation. If that is the case the intervention of the chamber in that matter of the High Point road was all wrong. It would be better to say that the field of the chamber of commerce is co-extensive with the interests of its members. But J. E. Latham has offices in Moscow; the Cones are deeply interested in the internal policy of the German empire, for they get their dyestuffs there; and John Rees would be in bad if anything happened to the Porto Rican tobacco crop. "Our Country's Broader Outlook" Mr. Burton's subject, is well within what should be the radius of the chamber's activities.—Greensboro News.

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 17.—Members of the St. Timothy's Episcopal church are happy because of the acceptance of a call tendered Rev. Morrison Bethea, of Williamston, who comes to Wilson March 1, to take charge of the Wilson church. Mr. Bethea is a minister of high standing and ability.

MORE STRENGTH FOR FEEBLE OLD PEOPLE

If all the old people in Wilmington realized what Vinol will do for them, we would not be able to get enough of it to supply the demand. We quote from a recent letter received from Mrs. A. E. Carson, of Kingston, N. Y.

She says:—"I am 69 years of age, and had been ailing for a long time with indigestion. I got run down, was weak, dizzy and could not sleep at night. I consulted two doctors who said I had hardening of the arteries and at my age could not expect to be strong again. My daughter would give me no peace until I tried Vinol, as it had done so much for her. I have taken five bottles and my health and strength have come back, so I am able to do all the housework for my family of four, and I am recommending Vinol to all my friends."

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Health Talks

BY WILLIAM BRADY, M.D.

Intercostal Neuralgia

RUNNING AROUND the chest from the spine, and sending sensory branches to the skin of the back, sides and front of the torso are twelve pairs of nerves, called intercostal nerves (inter, between; costal, ribs) because they are between the ribs. These intercostal nerves are dishonest, or at least much misunderstood.

For instance, the sixth and seventh pairs supply the skin over the "pit of the stomach," and when they hurt you are positive you have "stomach ache." In such spinal diseases as Pott's disease (tuberculosis of the vertebrae) the child is likely to suffer with stomach ache, when in reality the stomach is innocent. In simple neuralgia of the same pairs the patient, usually a woman, declares she has stomach trouble and generally takes treatment for the stomach.

A more frequent situation of intercostal neuralgia is in the fourth or fifth intercostal nerve, and for some reason we have never fathomed, it is usually the left nerve, so that the victim is positive she has "neuralgia of the heart" or "heart disease."

The twelfth pair join with lumbar nerves to supply the skin over the lowest region of the abdomen, and many a deluded victim of neuralgia or pressure upon these nerves considers himself subject to "intestinal indigestion," or mayhap appendicitis. It is probably along the right twelfth intercostal nerve that the pain of pleurisy or pneumonia is referred in those occasional cases where the doctor hovers threateningly between immediate interference and discretionary delay—and blesses his stars next day when the symptoms of "appendicitis" prove to be due to pneumonia or pleurisy.

Our osteopathic friends have something literally at their fingertips here. We have never tried it, but we suspect osteopathic manipulations would accomplish a great deal for troubles of the intercostal nerves.

Pain down the arm often accompanies cancer of the breast. The explanation is pressure upon a branch of the first intercostal nerve on the affected side by enlarged lymph nodes in the arm-pit, through which the nerve passes and is pressed upon by the nodes.

A sense of construction, or sometimes "lightning pains" at a certain level of the trunk may accompany locomotor ataxia—the intercostal nerve roots being involved in the degenerative process.

A cold hand, a blow, or other stimulation of the abdomen causes muscular contraction, a reflex defensive function acting through the intercostal nerves. Rigidity or hardness of the abdominal wall over an inflamed appendix, for instance, is another reflex defensive act on the part of the intercostal nerves and their sympathetic nerve connections.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Dieting And Gas

I omitted sugars and starches from my diet for three months, but it did not stop gas-formation. Why?

Answer—How did you know it was starches? Gas may be due to many ailments outside of the digestive system.

Sounds Like Goitre

Could nervousness, a rapid heart and excessive flow in a girl of fourteen years be caused by a goitre? If the goitre cannot be cured by medical treatment, how long should one wait before having it operated on?

Answer—1. Yes. 2. Complete rest (in bed) should be tried, and medical treatment for at least three months before even considering surgery, unless the patient fails.

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And Director of Atlantic Coast Line Company

Board of Directors at Meeting in New York Elects Him Successor of Late Alexander Hamilton—Headquarters Here.

Telegrams received yesterday at the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company, in this city, announced the election of Mr. George B. Elliott as general counsel of the system by the board of directors in regular monthly session in New York yesterday, Mr. Elliott's election being to succeed the late Mr. Alexander Hamilton, of Petersburg, Va., which has been the headquarters of the legal department of the road heretofore, but which now comes, with the election of Mr. Elliott, to Wilmington.

In addition to his election as general counsel of the system with headquarters here, Mr. Elliott also becomes general counsel of the parent company, the Atlantic Coast Line of Connecticut, president of the Atlantic Land & Improvement Co., the real estate corporation of the system, a director of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company, a director of the Charleston & Western Carolina railroad, a subsidiary of the A. C. L., and a member of the executive committee of the companies named.

The meeting yesterday was held at the offices of the Atlantic Coast Line in New York, No. 71 Broadway, and it is safe to say that no promotion made in the Coast Line official family in many years is held to be more greatly deserved or is more generally approved by the entire body of officers and employees of the Atlantic Coast Line than is this elevation of Mr. Elliottt to an office for which he is so fully qualified. The public generally will also heartily approve the selection of Mr. Elliott, who has made a great many friends everywhere since he came to Wilmington some years ago, first as assistant general counsel and later as general solicitor of the company.

Mr. Elliott's rise in his profession has been almost what might be spectacularly described as meteoric, as distasteful as such an expression would be to a man of his modesty. He will be only 43 years old on March 22nd, next. He is a son of the late Col. Warren G. Elliott, president of the road for so long, and is a brother of Assistant Postmaster Warren G. Elliott, of this city, and of Milton C. Elliott, Esq., who as counsel to the Federal Reserve Board, has an important post as one of the counselors of the Wilson administration in Washington.

The new general counsel of the A. C. L. was graduated in civil engineering from the Virginia Military Institute in 1892, and for three years after his graduation served as an assayer and civil engineer at Leadville, Colo. He came east very soon thereafter and entered Harvard Law School, from which he was graduated in 1897. He began the practice of law in Richmond, Va., in 1898, as a member of the firm of Hamilton & Elliott. Mr. Elliott was also during his residence there local counsel of the Atlantic Coast Line, and developed a study of corporation law that in 1906 led to his appointment as assistant general counsel of the Atlantic Coast Line, with headquarters in Wilmington. He held this position and that of general solicitor to which he was recently appointed, until yesterday, when called to the important post of general counsel.

It is announced from New York that, with the election of Mr. Elliott the offices of general counsel will be removed to Wilmington, which will indeed be welcome news to the many friends of Mr. Elliott, who is held in the very highest esteem here.

Mr. Elliott was not in the city yesterday, having been with a large number of other officials of the road, in attendance upon the meeting in New York. They are expected home today.

'TWAS A WHALE, AND NOT A SUBMARINE, SAYS OLD SALT.

Harbor Master Thinks Engineer at Southport Mistaken.

Rumors to the effect that the waters of the harbor at Southport are being visited by submarines, are caused, according to Capt. E. D. Williams, harbor master of Wilmington and a seaman of wide experience, by nothing more or less than a whale, which decided to explore the deep waters of the Southport harbor Wednesday night.

He states that Mr. Frank Stranton, in charge of the contract work for the United States quarantine station in the Southport harbor, undoubtedly mistook the whale for a submersible, but as such a vessel would have no business there, it must have been a whale that Mr. Stranton saw from his motor boat. He further states that had it been a submarine, it would not have submerged on the approach of the motor boat.

Captain Williams says that many whales have recently been seen off the Cape Fear bar, and that they appeared to want to come over the bar, but as a general thing some passing vessel frightened them away.

CAR COLLIDES WITH TEAM.

Convicts Narrowly Escape Injury—Headlight Smashed.

A wagon load of county convicts narrowly escaped serious injury yesterday morning shortly before 8 o'clock, when a suburban car collided with the team of mules attached to the wagon, at Fifth and Princess streets. The headlight on the car was smashed, but none of the prisoners or occupants of the car were injured.

The team was being driven south and the car was on its way to the junction when the accident occurred. It is stated that the driver did not see the car in time to prevent the collision, although the whistle was blown. The mules escaped serious injury, being simply pushed aside. The accident caused some excitement among the passengers on the car, and also caused the convicts to hastily jump from the wagon.

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WILL LECTURE ABOUT RUSSIA

W. Blanchard Moore, Traveler and Lecturer, Will Speak at Y. M. C. A. Tomorrow and Sunday.

W. Blanchard Moore, traveler and lecturer and formerly instructor in the University of Illinois, will speak on conditions in Russia at the Y. M. C. A., giving a lecture for children at 4 p. m. and for adults at 8:15 o'clock tomorrow night. On Sunday afternoon at 4:45 o'clock he will give a lecture on Palestine in the gymnasium of the Y. M. C. A. to which the people of the city are invited. His lectures are illustrated with stereopticon slides and moving pictures.

Mr. Moore has twice encircled the globe and made many other extended trips, taking pictures and securing information for educational and journalistic work. He went to Siberia twice to investigate the exile system, the prisons and the industries. He was furnished with credentials, endorsed by high United States officials, supplied with plenty of funds and equipped with a complete photographic outfit. He spent nearly seven months in what is known as "Darkest Russia." On one occasion he was arrested as an American spy and spent two months in one of the "death hells," as the exiles call them, but which are known to the world as "Siberian prisons." What he saw and found in that country will be told in his lecture.

Mr. Moore comes to Wilmington under the auspieces of the Young Men's Christian Association, and with the highest recommendations.

TO IMPROVE VAUDEVILLE.

Mr. Percy W. Wells Takes Part in Organization of New Association.

Mr. Percy W. Wells has returned from Greensboro, where he attended the winter meeting of the North Carolina Motion Picture Exhibitors' League, of which he is president. While there he took part in the organization of the Virginia-North Carolina Vaudeville Managers' Association and was elected a director of the association. Yesterday's Greensboro News has the following with reference to the new organization:

"Managers of theatres playing vaudeville and tabloid musical comedy attractions in Virginia and North Carolina, in response to a call issued by L. G. Schofield, manager of the Piedmont theatre, Grensboro, met here yesterday to discuss the formation of a circuit that would give all attractions possessing merit a route consisting of a specified number of weeks. The result of the meeting was the formation of the Virginia-North Carolina Vaudeville Managers' Association and the following officers were elected: President, L. G. Schofield, Greensboro; secretary and treasurer, O. A. Savin, Lynchburg, Va.; directors, R. D. Craver, Charlotte; Percy Wells, Wilmington; J. F. Jackson, Lynchburg, Va.; M. H. Sohmers, Danville, Va.; Sterling Smith, Winston-Salem; Barney Aronson, Raleigh. The Greenwood agency, of Atlanta, was appointed booking representatives.

"The deliberations of the managers were not open to the public, or newspaper men either, for that matter, but it was learned from gossip around the corridors and lobby of the Guilford hotel that the managers took an avowed stand for clean and meritorious attractions. One manager stated that his theatre had been closed to all attractions, other than pictures, for the past two or three weeks owing to the fact that the 'tabs' coming his way were not of the quality that he would permit his wife and children to see."

OPENED WITH A RUSH.

Advance Sale of Seats for "The Bohemian Girl" Began Yesterday.

The advance seat sale for the all-star presentation of "The Bohemian Girl," which will be the next attraction at the Academy of Music, on tomorrow, giving a matinee and night performance, opened yesterday with a rush. One of the largest houses of the season is expected to witness this performance, which is said to be given by the original company.

It is also stated that this is the first time the original company has ever toured any of the smaller cities. Mirth Carmen will be seen in the role of the "Queen" and Joseph Sheehan will be heard in the leading tenor role. The criticisms from the larger cities where "The Bohemian Girl" has played this season have been loud in their praises of this famous opera. The management states that the best performance ever given of "The Bohemian Girl" in Wilmington will be given by this organization which will present this attraction tomorrow at the Academy.

BISHOP DARST RETURNS.

From Visit of Several Days in Carteret County—To Clinton Sunday.

Bishop Thos. C. Darst has returned from Carteret county, where he spent several days. Last Sunday at Beaufort the Bishop presided at an inspiring service during which he baptized 16 and confirmed a class of ten. Monday night Bishop Darst paid Morehead City a visit and preached in the Episcopal church there. He was assisted there by Rev. B. F. Huske, rector of Christ Episcopal church of Newbern.

Bishop Darst will leave today for Falson and will then go to Clinton, where he will preach Sunday. This will be the Bishop's second visit to Clinton and his coming is eagerly looked for, says the Clinton Democrat. While at Clinton Bishop Darst will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Clute. On Saturday evening Mrs. Clute will keep open house for her guest and all the people of Clinton will be invited to call and make the acquaintance of Bishop Darst.

INSURANCE MAN HERE.

Secretary Taylor of Jefferson Standard Spent Day in City Yesterday.

Mr. C. C. Taylor, secretary of the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Co., of Greensboro, spent yesterday in the city on business and when seen by a Star representative expressed much gratification in finding so many evidences of progress. While in the city he called on the local directors of the Jefferson Standard, these being Col. Walker Taylor and Mr. H. C. McQueen.

The Jefferson Standard is one of the leading life insurance companies of the South and has had a rapid growth in the last few years. Dr. W. P. Reeve is general agent and local representative of the company in Wilmington.

—Suit was started in Superior court yesterday by Mr. R. I. Belch against the Seaboard Air Line. No complaint was filed, but it is understood that the suit is for alleged damages on account of personal injuries, the plaintiff having been a baggage master in the employ of the railroad. J. Felton Head, Esq., and ex-Judge E. K. Bryan represent Mr. Belch

WILMINGTON MAY GET MEAT PACKING-HOUSE

Live-Stock Market Will Also be Established Here.

That Federal Inspection of Slaughtered Animals Will Give City Both Institutions Declaration of Board of Health.

That Federal inspection of all animals slaughtered in Wilmington will result in the creation of a livestock market in this city and the establishment of a packing house, was the declaration made yesterday afternoon by several members of the Board of Health at an adjourned meeting held at the Court House, which was attended by farmers, meat dealers and others interested in the new regulations proposed to improve the present unsanitary conditions under which fresh meat is now sold in the city.

In advocating the importance of inaugurating a system of Federal inspection of all animals slaughtered in Wilmington, Dr. Charles T. Nesbitt, county health officer, and Dr. T. B. Carroll, city meat and milk inspector, both declared that the requiring of Federal inspection will result in the establishment of a packing house in Wilmington and a livestock market also.

It was pointed out that more than 100,000 pounds of meat is shipped into the city annually from the West, which could just as well as not be supplied by farmers of this and adjoining counties, once a livestock market and packing house facilities are provided for the city. It was also pointed out that the market and packing house would give the farmers and other producers a stable market the year round, and do away with glutted markets, from which the producer and dealers alike have suffered so much in the past. It is understood, in this connection, that a number of substantial business men of Wilmington are already making plans for the formation of a company which will build a packing house with ample facilities for handling all kinds of meat animals.

Federal Inspection.

Dr. Nesbitt in explaining the practical impossibility of enforcing the ordinance forbidding the sale of fresh meats by unlicensed dealers, and how Federal inspection will solve this and other problems, said that the Board of Health was considering the passing of a resolution to the effect that no meat shall be slaughtered in Wilmington save under Federal inspection. Continuing, he said:

"When we had the ordinance passed prohibiting the sale of fresh meats except by licensed dealers, who could readily be required to observe such health regulations as the board might prescribe for the protection of the public against the sale of meat unfit for human consumption, we knew it would be difficult to enforce it, but we also knew when the time would come when the people would be confronted with just such a situation as they now face.

"The question of hucksters being allowed to sell fresh meats in spite of the fact that the ordinance prohibits it, has been before three different city attorneys, and each time the matter came up, the attorneys called attention to the statute which guarantees the farmer the right to dispose of meat which he has raised on his farm.

"I raised the point as to whether we could take this meat which is exposed to dust and flies and destroy it, and was referred to the statute which provides that you must carry the meat in each instance, no matter how small the cuts, before a justice of the peace, and have that official, presumably, on account of his great knowledge of animal pathology, declare that it is unfit for human consumption. This is, of course, an absurdity.

"I am convinced that the imposition of Federal inspection will solve the difficulty. It will enable us to trace ownership of animals that are slaughtered, as the butchering will be done at one place. As it is now, we have to go to the various butcher shops and run the risk of not finding the carcass. I will say that in most instances, the carcasses are found, but after meat is dressed it is not always possible to tell whether the animal was diseased or not. For instance, the lungs of a hog might be diseased, but after they are removed you could not tell from the dressed pork that it was diseased. Mr. Batson has, I believe, mentioned an instance of where a cow which died a natural death, was afterwards brought to the city and sold. In that case the Board of Health was not notified until 48 hours after it occurred. The cow, in this instance, dropped out of a drove which was being brought here for slaughter. It dropped out of the drove probably from exhaustion.

"For the protection of the farmer we have had to hold our county regulations in abeyance. My suggestion now is that all fresh meats be sold on the Wilmington market under Federal regulations. This certainly will not work a hardship on farmers of New Hanover county. Would it not be to the advantage of farmers who raise meat animals to market their products as A-1, government inspected, than to market it haphazard? Would it not also be infinitely better for the consumer, who often buys his meat from the outlaw meat dealer who slaughters his beef wherever it is most convenient? The Federal regulations governing the inspection of meats are the last word on the subject. They are the result of careful investigations, in which the Federal government has expended thousands of dollars to ascertain the best methods of protecting consumers from all kinds of animal diseases."

The meeting was called to order by Chairman W. A. McGirt, who explained that it had been especially called that all interests affected by the proposed inauguration of Federal inspection of fresh meats slaughtered and sold in Wilmington might have the opportunity of hearing just what was proposed, and also giving them the opportunity to state their objections, if they had any, to the proposed regulations before they are put into effect.

All interests, farmers, meat dealers and consumers were represented at the meeting and practically all representatives of these organizations expressed themselves as being in favor of having all fresh meats slaughtered in the city placed under Federal inspection. The conference was of a harmonious nature, every speaker, with one exception, expressing himself as being hopeful that Federal inspection would solve the difficult problem of protecting consumers from the marketing of meat unfit for consumption; the meat dealer from illicit competition from hucksters who peddle meats that are exposed to dust

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DEATH OF MRS. JAMES SPRUNT

Announcement Brought Sorrow to Many Friends Yesterday—Funeral This Afternoon—Tributes

Her life abounding in deeds of sweet charity and good works and the one distinguishing trait of her fine Christian character being her utter disregard of self in her beautiful devotion to others, the announcement of the death of Mrs. Luola Murchison Sprunt, beloved wife of Doctor James Sprunt, which occurred at her home in this city at fifteen minutes after two o'clock yesterday morning, though not wholly unexpected, came as a profound shock to the community, which had for so many years been the beneficiary of the influence of her beautiful living.

Individually and in co-operation with her distinguished husband, now so deeply bereaved, Mrs. Sprunt had contributed in many ways to the alleviation of suffering, to the advancement of the Christian cause and to the sum total of human happiness in the community in which she lived, one of the latest of such beneficences being the founding of a hospital for children and mothers in connection with the James Walker Memorial Hospital in this city to be known as the Marion Sprunt Memorial, a great work that she had lived to see only started and in the contemplation of which she had taken a deep and abiding interest. In many other ways she and Dr. Sprunt had also contributed largely in various charities and philanthropies to the betterment of mankind, especially children to whom both were ever tenderly devoted, knowing neither class nor distinction in the bestowal of their charities.

Among hundreds of callers at the Sprunt home yesterday, many little incidents of the beauty and kindliness of her spirit were recounted, numerous little deeds of kindness and charity of which perhaps the world never knew for in the practice of her good works she was singularly unostentatious. Intimation, rather than appeal, was all that was necessary in bringing a ready and a most handsome response to any call of distress or suffering and all the recompense expected was the consciousness of duty well performed. There are many who in this hour will rise up and indeed call her blessed, as was so splendidly expressed by a friend on yesterday.

Mrs. Sprunt's beautiful devotion to her family and to the enjoyment of her home and fireside were also marked, and one of the last and most striking manifestations of this ruling passion for the comfort and enjoyment of others was her personal direction of a re-arrangement and refurnishing of the handsome library in the Sprunt home, which was the special joy and pride of Mr. Sprunt and where he spent so many happy hours in the company of his books, his letters and works of art with which the library is enhanced and adorned as befitting one of his literary tastes and attainments. While still confined to her room in the early stages of her last illness, ever mindful of the wishes and comfort of her husband, she, at great sacrifice, no doubt, of personal feeling, drew the plans for changes and conveniences and later personally supervised the work of skilled workmen requisitioned to carry out her special ideas and wishes in rehabilitating this room.

As stated yesterday morning in the brief announcement of Mrs. Sprunt's death just before The Star went to press, she had been in failing health for more than a year and though the most eminent specialists had been called into consultation and she had spent some time in Baltimore and elsewhere under their especial care, all that could be done availed nothing in the end, when she passed quietly and peacefully away, surrounded by loved ones and those who had ministered so lovingly to her for the long weeks that she had suffered.

Hundreds of friends called at the home yesterday to pay their respects and to utter a word of sympathy to those so deeply bowed down in grief, while many telegrams and expressions of sympathy came from friends and relatives out of the city, many of whom will be in Wilmington today for the funeral, which will be conducted at the home, on South Front street, this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiating, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Alexander Sprunt, of Charleston, S. C., a brother of Dr. Sprunt, who arrived yesterday to be with his brother and other members of the family in their sorrow. The interment will be in the family lot in Oakdale cemetery.

Mrs. Sprunt was a duaghter of the lamented Colonel Kenneth M. Murchison, of Wilmington and New York, so highly esteemed in Wilmington and North Carolina, and she was married to Dr. Sprunt thirty-two years ago, their wedded life having been one of beautiful devotion, each to the other. Surviving her are her husband and one son, Mr. J. Laurence Sprunt; a little grand-son, J. Laurence Sprunt, Jr.; a brother, Mr. Kenneth Murchison, a distinguished architect of New York, and three sisters, Mrs. Frank Ellis, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Shirley Carter, of Baltimore, and Mrs. C. H. Hurcamp, of Fredericksburg, Va. A number of absent members of the family arrived last evening and others will reach here this morning for the funeral services.

Mrs. Sprunt was best loved and admired by those who knew her most intimately and the following tributes by personal friends were handed The Star yesterday as expressive of the feeling of a great many who enjoyed her friendship and the influence of her fine personality:

"In Loving Memory.

"In the death of Mrs. James Sprunt, this community has suffered a loss, the full extent of which will be revealed more and more with the passing of years. Not at once can there be a realization of what it means to be cut off from such a forceful personality. In her home, in her church, in her town, in her State, Mrs. Sprunt was a power. Gifted with many accomplishments, gracious and graceful in manner, a keen, initiative mind, she was fitted to adorn any station in life. She had a vital energy and a tenacity of purpose which overcame obstacles that might have daunted a less indomitable spirit. But greater than these attributes was the wonderful spontaneousness of her generous nature; her every impulse was to help. Only to mention in her hearing a case of need or suffering was to secure immediate assistance, but given so unostentatiously that few knew of her many charities. Among her good deeds stand out prominently her work among the crippled children in the mill village of Delgado, and the Marion Sprunt Playgrounds in the various sections of the city. Truly, the children may rise up and call her blessed!

"Even in these months of illness, her ever active mind was devising schemes for the alleviation of suffering, and her whole heart was in the Baby Hospital which is to be erected as a memorial to her little daughter.

"Mrs. Sprunt was for eight years president of the North Carolina Society of the Colonial Dames of America, and at the time of her death its honorary president. Under her wise administration, the scope of the work of the society developed and expanded, and through her unusual ability she also made her place in the National Society.

"During months of suffering, borne with patience and unselfishness, Mrs. Sprunt's naturally religious nature grew more intense, her mind dwelt upon the eternal verities. A life so full of noble deeds, consecrated to God, is its own memorial.

"'When the sun in all his state
Illumined the eastern skies,
She passed through Glory's morning-gate,
And walked in Paradise.'"

A Tribute.

It is often so that not until the Evangel of better things, of hope fulfilled, of faith justified, comes to claim as its own the life accomplished, do we realize in its fullness the richness of living. To get the most out of life, to use every faculty of heart and mind in the service of doing good, is the highest justification of the Christian faith and the truest exemplification of the Christian ideal.

Such was the life of Mrs. Luola Murchison Sprunt. The poor will rise up and call her blessed.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. M. L. Stover is visiting friends in Goldsboro this week.

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Mrs. Richard Bradley has gone to New York and Baltimore for a visit of a few weeks.

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Mrs. John S. Barnes and daughter arrived yesterday from Susquehanna, Pa., to spend the remainder of the winter with Mrs. Barnes' friend, Mrs. C. L. Meister.

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Mrs. E. S. Creasy has returned to her home in Greensboro, after spending several days in this city with her sons, Messrs. W. M. and A. H. Creasy.

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Mrs. E. S. Nance and son, E. S., Jr., who came to this city to attend the marriage of Miss Mary Inez Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Robinson, have returned to their home at Clarkton.

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Lieut. Theodore Marburg, Jr., of the Aviation Corps of the British army, who was injured in France some time ago, is now in London. A cablegram received in Baltimore Wednesday by Mrs. Marburg from her husband, who is with the son, stated the arrival in the English capital. After a short rest in London Mr. Marburg and his son will start the journey home.

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Miss Jessie Monroe gave a delightful birthday and Valentine party at her home on South Fourth street Monday evening in honor of her guest, Miss Margaret Morriss. Miss Darden was given the prize for being the most attractive young lady present and Miss Morriss as being the most popular. Mr. James Monroe was voted to be the most popular young man.

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Mount Olive, N. C., Feb. 17.—Mr. Thad. R. Thigpen, assistant cashier of the First National Bank here, was wedded to Miss Edith Mae Legar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Legar, of Bridgeville, Del., Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock. The marriage was a quiet home affair, attended by a few relatives and close friends of the contracting parties. After a brief honeymoon trip in the North, Mr. and Mrs. Thigpen will return here, their future home.

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Members of the Music Department of the North Carolina Sorosis entertained last night at their club rooms with a cantata, entitled, "Three Springs," which was much appreciated by those present. Mrs. D. A. Cleige, of Knoxville, Tenn., gave a short address on the Anti-Cigarette Movement, and at the conclusion of her remarks, the local organization went on record as favoring the movement.

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Miss Annie Wolff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Wolff, of this city, and Mr. A. E. Cumber, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Cumber, were married last night at 8 o'clock, at the manse of Immanuel Presbyterian church, Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of the church, officiating. The bride is a teacher in the kindergarten school, which is conducted by Immanuel church. The young couple will reside at No. 1016 South Third street.

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SIXTH ANNIVERSARY BALL GIVEN BY GERMANIA CLUB

The Germania Club, formerly known as the Howard Relief Club, gave its sixth anniversary ball Wednesday evening in its rooms at Front and Orange streets. The rooms were prettily decorated for the occasion, and music was furnished by Pheiffer's orchestra.

The ball was largely attended, more than 50 couples enjoying the dancing and other amusements provided for their entertainment. The supper was served by Mr. H. A. Webber, manager of the Elks Club, and included the delicacies of the season.

The following committee was in charge of the programme and arrangements: M. G. Tiencken, G. H. Heyer, J. H. Niggel, Charles Richters, Jr., and F. D. Fick.

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GRACE CHURCH RECEPTION WAS DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR.

Several hundred people including both old and young attended the reception at Grace Methodist church last evening which was given under the auspices of the board of stewards and the young people's organizations. The affair was entirely informal and was held in the Sunday school room.

As the guests arrived they were introduced to the members of the receiving line which was composed of Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Thompson and Rev. and Mrs. M. T. Plyler and the members of the board of stewards and the board of trustees of the church and their wives.

Music during the evening was furnished by an orchestra composed of members of the Sunday school. Delicious ice cream and cake was served by the young women.

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RT. REV. EDWARD RONDTHALER WILL BE GUEST OF HONOR.

"Salem Day" in Wilmington will be observed on Tuesday, February 22nd, with special exercises at 4 o'clock on that day when the alumnae of Salem Academy and College, of Winston-Salem, will hold a reunion as former students of this institution are doing in practically every town in the South this month.

The reunion of the alumnae of Wilmington and vicinity will be honored by a visit from Rt. Rev. Edward Rondthaler, D. D., Bishop of the Southern Province of the Moravian church, whose address will be the principal feature of the afternoon.

The meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. Andrew J. Howell and Mrs. Howell will appreciate any information as to former students of the school, who live in Wilmington or in neighboring towns, in order that a full attendance may greet Bishop Rondthaler on "Salem Day."

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PROMOTION EXERCISES AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The first annual promotion exercises of the missionary societies of the First Baptist church will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the lecture room of the church. For some years the church has carried out the graded system idea in its missionary organizations, but this is the first time that members have been promoted from a lower society to the next higher.

All children between the ages of three and 12 are invited to join the Sunbeam Band; girls from 12 to 17 to join the Girls' Auxiliary; boys of the same age the Royal Ambassadors; young women from 17 to 25 the Y. W. A., while women over 25 constitute the W. M. U.

Mrs. A. M. Alderman, Mrs. C. B. Newcomb, Mrs. R. E. Williams, Mrs. L. F. Gore, Mrs. P. L. O'Neal and Mrs. B. J. Willingham compose the committee on arrangements. There will be vocal and instrumental music and attractive tableaux representing the different ages. The Girls' Auxiliary will serve refreshments and the entire congregation is invited to attend.

LECTURE ON MOTHER GOOSE BY DR. WILLIAM H. MILTON

Entertaining and Instructive Exposition of Wisdom of Nonsense.

Mother Goose, the favorite of every child, whose jingles have become firmly implanted in the hearts and minds of millions of people, was the subject of a delightfully entertaining and at the same time very instructive lecture given last evening in St. James' Parish House by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton. There was a large number present and they were highly pleased with the address, which was given under the auspices of Section A of the Woman's Auxiliary of St James' Parish.

The lecture was interspersed with several very enjoyable solos and duets by Miss Elizabeth Warren and Mr. G. N. Spaven with Mr. Wm. G. Robertson as accompanist

Dr. Milton, who had given much time to the preparation of the lecture, showed that the jingles which are usually considered as most nonsensical, contain much really valuable wisdom, and that the incidents spoken are in most cases based on historical occurrences

NEGRO GIVEN HEAVY FINE.

"Chisel" McCoy is Fined $50 on Assault Charge—Other Cases.

The chief sufferer at yesterday morning's session of the Recorder's court was David McCoy, alias "Chisel", colored, who was sentenced to pay a fine of $50, in default of which he is to go to the county roads for a term of four months, on the charge of assaulting Lizzie Miller and Preston Cole, in connection with a shooting affray at the Sixth street bridge. Allen Dunmore, colored, was also wounded by a stray bullet from the weapon with which the shooting was done. Dewey Green, colored, also arrested in connection with the shooting affray, was tried by the Recorder who will pronounced sentence later.

Lula and Sadie Williams, two young white girls arrested on vagrancy charges, were paroled in the custody of Mr. J. P. King, as they are both under 14 years of age. Louise Williams, an older sister, also charged with vagrancy, was turned over to Justice George Harriss and subsequently given a term of 30 days on the farm. Laura Graham, colored, charged with vagrancy, and William Johnson, who was tried Wednesday on the same charge, were both given 30 days.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday in the office of the Register of Deeds: James I. Metts to R. B. Williams and sister, Valeria E. Williams, for $300, lot on south side of Red Cross street, 177 feet west of Third, 6x66 feet in size; Carolina Real Estate Trust Co. to Jim Peti, for $10 and other considerations, farm 35 at Castle Haynes; J. A. Carter and wife to P. F. B. Price, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south side of Dawson street, 99 feet west of Fourth, 33x132 feet in size; E. L. Bergman and wife to J. O. Hinton, for $10 and other considerations, lot on Wrightsville Sound.

FUNERAL OF MISS McEACHERN.

Services Will be Held This Morning From First Baptist Church.

The funeral of Miss Merle McEachern, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. McEachern, whose death occurred Wednesday night, will be conducted this morning at 11 o'clock from the First Baptist church by the pastor, Rev. W. Marshall Craig. The interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

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ALL OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Board of Directors of Y. W. C. A. Hear Annual Reports—Miss Ada Starkweather Makes Address.

Mrs. J. R. Kenly, president of the association, and the other officers of the organization were re-elected for the ensuing year at the monthly meeting of the directors of the Y. W. C. A. which was held yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Robert Ruark, first vice president, presided in the absence of Mrs. Kenly, who is out of the city. The annual reports were read and the directors were gratified with the progress that has been made.

Miss Ada Starkweather, field secretary for the South Atlantic States, conducted the devotional services and also made an address after the business session in which she expressed deep regret on behalf of the general board of the Y. W. C. A. in the death of Mrs. James Sprunt, who was prominently identified with the work of the Y. W. C. A. in the South.

After the reading of the reports, the election of officers was taken up There were many expressions of appreciation of Mrs. Kenly, who has served very efficiently as president of the Y. W. C. A. since its organization, and she was unanimously re-elected for the next year.

Some of the other officers of the association felt that they had served long enough but the directors were unanimously of the opinion that they should continue to serve at least for the present year. They are as follows:

First Vice President, in charge of the religious work—Mrs. Robert Ruark.

Second Vice President, in charge of the membership and finance work—Mrs. George Peschau.

Third Vice President, in charge of the educational and physical work—Mrs. M. L. Stover.

Fourth Vice President, in charge of the extension work—Mrs. Walter P. Sprunt.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. B. T. Hopkins.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. L. Vollers.

Treasurer—Mrs. James H. Taylor, Jr.

Miss Anna Troutt, who has served very efficiently as the general secretary of the association since its founding, read an interesting statistical report for the last year. During the year there were 12,925 meals served at the association building; 33 positions served; 3,639 persons used the library; 3,900 pieces of mail were sent out from the office; 93 committee meetings were held; 1,085 memberships were paid and 522 persons failed to renew their membership.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO URGE EMPLOYING OF NURSE.

Red Cross Sanitarium Feels Need is Imperative at Sanitarium.

That there is need for a trained nurse at the Red Cross Sanitarium for the treatment of tuberculosis patients was the unanimous opinion of the members of the Wilmington Chapter of the Red Cross Society who attended the monthly meeting of this organization yesterday, and Mrs. Cuthbert Martin and Mrs. A. G. Ricaud were appointed a committee to go before the special committees, appointed by City Council and the County Commissioners, and urge the appropriation of $25 a month from the city and a similar amount from the county for the support of the nurse.

While it is stated that those in charge of the sanitarium are in every way competent and are doing a noble and splendid work, the matron is not a trained nurse and her time is necessarily largely taken up with other things. While one-fifth of the patients sent to the institution have recovered, which is a remarkable record in view of the fact that advanced cases as well as those who have just contracted the disease are treated at the hospital, it is pointed out that with better care the ratio would in all probability be much larger.

Archdeacon Thos. P. Noe and Mr. J. M. Solky, a committee appointed by the board of directors to urge an appropriation from the city and county to employ a trained nurse, made a report to the society stating that they had presented the claims of the institution to the respective boards and that committees had been appointed to look into the matter.

The benefits of the hospital are twofold, it was stated, the first being the great help it has rendered to patients going there for treatment and in the second place it has resulted in greatly decreasing the death rate from tuberculosis in the community, as shown by the records of the Health Department.

Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, president of the Red Cross Society, presided at the meeting yesterday which was held at the Y. M. C. A. and Mrs. S. Mendelsohn, the secretary, kept a record of the proceedings. The monthly reports were read and the usual routine business transacted.

FINE MUSICAL PROGRAMME.

Rendered by Dunbar Male Quartette and Bell Ringers at Boys' Brigade.

The Dunbar Male Quarette and Bell Ringers, who won such a splendid success in Wilmington two years ago, were heard in a most delightful programme at the Boys' Brigade armory last night. The hall was well filled and every number was received with the greatest enthusiasm. The members of the quartette are certainly very clever and versatile young men.

The first tenor, Mr. Strohm, also played the French horn, Mr. Earl A. VirDen, second tenor, played the cornet well and also the piano. The baritone, Mr. G. Aylesworth, not only sang well, but played the trombone and violin and most artistic accompaniments. Mr. T. E. Spring was the basso and humorist.

All of the numbers were rendered in a most attractive manner with fine expression and phrasing. The encores covered a variety of selections from the lightest humorous songs to hymns played by the bells. The work with the bells is truly wonderful and the players get wonderful harmonic effects. It was without doubt a very enjoyable programme, being as follows:

"Sailor Song" (Perry)—Quartette.

"Jubilate"—Bells and vocal quartette.

"To a Wild Rose" (MacDowell)—Bell quartette.

"Carmena" (Wilson)—Brass quartette.

Violin solo—Masurka" (Wienawski.

"In the Time of Roses" (Reikhart)—Quartette.

Premier Polka—Trewellyn.

"The Wind in the Chimneys" (Parks)—Quartette.

"Asleep in the Deep"—Bells.

Brass solo—"Over the Billowy Sea" (Scott).

"Ashes of Roses" (Robinson)—Quartette.

"Intermezzo.. from Cavaleria Rusticana—Bells.

"Still, Still With Thee" (Mason)—Quartette.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. E. M. Berry, of this citl, is spending a few days in Raleigh on business.

—Mr. Louis Hanson, Jr., left yesterday for Savannah, Ga., on a short business trip.

—Messrs. W. P. Faucette and J. M. Davidson, of Raleigh, returned home yesterday after spending a few days here with Mr. H. F. Faucette.

—Mr. J. M. Stevenson, of this city, is attending a meeting of the Southern Agents' Association of the New England Life Insurance Company, which is being held this week in Savannah, Ga

—North Carolina arrivals at the Hotel Wilmington yesterday included the following: C. P. Longley, Greensboro; D. L. Moore and J. R. Breece, Fayetteville; J. C. Eagle, Charlotte; A. M. Trust, Elizabethtown; G. E. Gwinn, Charlotte; G. E. Trust, Elizabethtown.

TWO HOUSES IN EAST WILMINGTON DESTROYED

Blaze Threatens Negro Settlement—Damage Estimated at $500.

Two houses were burned to the ground and the entire negro settlement threatened by a fire which broke out in East Wilmington yesterday morning, entailing a loss of $500 on the owner of the houses, Mrs. J. B. Mercer. The quick work of a squad of Wilmington firemen, under the direction of Assistant Fire Chief Monroe, prevented the spread of the fire to other houses in the settlement.

The fire, the cause of which is not known, started in the house, on Mercer street, south of the Market street road, occupied by J. H. Jackson, colored, after he, and the other members of his family had left for their work in other sections of the city. It soon spread to the residence occupied by Mary Byrd, colored, who lives next door.

The flames had almost completely destroyed the two light frame structures when the firemen arrived. Mary Byrd, however, with the assistance of friends, had succeeded in removing much of her personal property from her home before it was consumed by the fire.

The alarm came to the fire department by telephone, and Mayor P. Q. Moore having given permission for the chemical engine to leave the city limits, the firemen at once responded to the call. It is stated that the houses burned are a complete loss to the owner, as she is reported to have allowed her insurance policy to lapse a short time ago.

MRS. SUSANNAH SHEPARD DEAD.

Aged Woman Passed Away Yesterday Morning—Funeral Today.

Many friends learned with deep regret yesterday of the death of Mrs. Susannah Shepard, which occurred yesterday morning at 5:30 o'clock, at her home, No. 706 North Fifth street. She was 71 years old and the widow of the late J. I. Shepard. She was a member of the Presbyterian church at Topsail.

Surviving the deceased are three sons, Messrs. J. B., J. S. and R. R. Shepard, all of this city, and Mrs. R. H. Moore, of Topsail. The remains were taken yesterday afternoon to Topsail, and the funeral will be held there this morning at 10 o'clock. The interment will be in the family burying ground at that place.

REV. J. H. SHORE SPEAKS.

Interesting and Instructive Address at Meeting of Jefferson Lodge.

Rev. J. H. Shore, pastor of Fifth Avenue Methodist church, made a very interesting and instructive address last night at the regular meeting of Jefferson Lodge No. 67, Knights of Pythias, which was held in their Castle hall in the Pythian building. His subject was "The Life Worth Living."

There was a good attendance and the members were highly pleased with the excellent address. Jefferson Lodge is one of the livest lodges in the State and the members are making a special effort to make its meetings worth while.

SAM SMALL AT CLINTON.

Says Arguments Against National Prohibition Won't Stand.

Clinton, N. C., Feb. 17.—Rev. Sam Small, of Georgia, addressed a large audience here Tuesday night in favor of amending the Federal constitution for national prohibition Some of the speaker's statements were novel and newsy to most of his hearers.

Referring to the objections by Congressmen Pou and Small that they resented this amendment because it invited other states to dictate an anti-liquor policy to North Carolina, Dr. Small carefully explained the methods of amending the Federal constitution.

"Now," he said, "these North Carolina Congressmen are just 127 years too late in making their own protest against the constitution's methods for its amendment. They are plainly dissenting from and resisting the compact that North Carolina made with the other states of the union when she entered it. The union was formed without the consent and co-operation of North Carolina. She and Rhode Island refused to ratify the constitution when presented by Washington and his colleagues of the convention. The eleven other states did ratify it, established the Federal government, elected and inaugurated George Washington as President—and in all of that work North Carolina remained an outsider and an alien. Congress in its first session even levied duties upon imports into the union from North Carolina and Rhode Island the same as upon imports from other foreign countries.

"Subsequently, November 21, 1789, North Carolina ratified the Constitution and entered the union, agreeing thereby that three-fourths of the states at any time might ratify a constitutional change and by it fully bind the other one-fourth of the states. Can North Carolina representatives now denounce and resist that contract without subjecting themselves to the charge of Punic faith—of rank repudiation?

"But the people of North Carolina are not so minded. Only in recent years North Carolina aided in forcing the income tax amendment upon the unwilling states of Connecticut, Florida, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah and Virginia; and later still, North Carolina helped to compel the protecting states of Alabama, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Utah and Virginia—twelve in all, or one-fourth of the states of the union—to swallow the seventeenth amendment providing for the popular election of United States Senators!"

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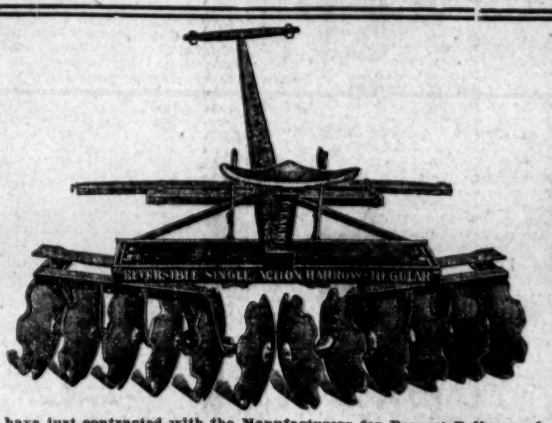

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON BREAKS HEAVILY

All Active Crop Months Sent to Lowest Levels Reached Since Early Autumn—March 11.50—Spot 11.60.

New York, Feb. 17.—Cotton prices broke severely here today under heavy near month liquidation which sent all the active old crop months to the lowest levels reached since early last autumn. March broke to 11.32 or 36 points under last night's close, and more than two cents per pound under the high record of the season. Rallies followed with March closing at 11.50 and the general list closing steady at a net decline of 3 to 20 points.

Liverpool was about as due and the market opened steady at a decline of 2 to 5 points on old crop months, but from one to two points higher on later deliveries. Near months soon sold off another point or two, but houses with Liverpool connections were fair buyers here and the market ruled fairly steady during the morning. After the close abroad, there was less demand, however, and the market weakened under increased March and May liquidation. There appeared to be no particular change in the general character of the news, but near month longs seember anxious to avoid the possibility of deliveries from the large stocks in the local warehouses, and for a time the market seemed to be almost demoralized. May sold off to 11.55 and July to 11.80, or 29 to 35 points under last night's closing, while the new crop sold about 14 to 19 points net lower. As the differences between months broadened to about carrying charges, trade interests bought actively, taking near months against sales of later deliveries. This relieved the pressure and prices rallied 15 to 18 points from the lowest in the case of old crop positions, with May selling up to 11.75.

Closed steady.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
March	11.63	11.67	11.32	11.50
May	11.85	11.91	11.55	11.74
July	12.06	12.11	11.80	11.95
October	12.17	12.23	11.98	12.13
December	12.33	12.31	12.18	12.27

Spot quit; middling uplands, 11.60; no sales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 11.43; receipts, 4,015; exports, 8,322; sales, 3,305; stock, 418,403.

Galveston—Middling, 11.85; receipts, 6,398; sales, 482; stock, 304,406.

Mobile—Middling, 11.12; receipts, 336; sales, 25; stock, 20,264.

Savannah—Middling, 12.00; receipts, 5,605; sales, 1,090; stock, 180,212.

Charleston—Middling, 11¾; receipts, 164; stock, 53,006.

Wilmington—Receipts, 240; stock, 50,600.

Norfolk — Middling, 11.13; receipts, 3,037; sales, 461; stock, 133,297.

Baltimore—Stock, 4,414.

Boston — Middling, 11.85; receipts, 495; exports, 43; stock, 12,000.

Philadelphia — Middling, 11.85; receipts, 164; stock, 3,133.

New York—Middling, 11.60; receipts, 270; exports, 1,887; stock, 333,047.

Minor Ports—Exports, 7,132; stock, 60,350.

Total today—Receipts 21,224; exports 16,884; stock 1,603,132.

Total for week—Receipts, 123,914; exports, 113,816.

Total for season—Receipts, 5,282,n87; exports, 3,226,470.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 11.75; receipts, 3,947; shipments, 6,575; sales, 3,730; stock, 193,279.

Memphis — Middling, 11.75; receipts, 2,802; shipments, 4,552; sales, 1,100; stock, 284,115.

Augusta — Middling, 11.44; receipts, 585; shipments, 909; sales, 1,524; stock, 172,011.

St. Louis—Middling, 11¾; receipts, 1,324; shipments, 1,092; stock, 17,978.

Cincinnati — Receipts, 1,887; shipments 1,632; stock, 16,158.

Little Rock—Middling, 12.00; receipts, 290; shipments, 805; sales, 805; stock, 35,164.

Dallas—Middling, 11.30.

Montgomery—Middling, 11.25; sales, 364.

Total today—Receipts, 10,835; shipments, 15,565; stock, 718,705.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 17.—Cotton spot easier; good middling, 8.16; middling, 7.89; low middling, 7.53; sales, 8,000; for speculation and export, 3,000. Receipts, 7,400. Futures, steady. February, 7.69; February-March, 7.65; March-April, 7.64½; April-May, 7.62½; May-June, 7.61½; June-July, 7.59; July-August, 7.56½; August-September, 7.47½; September-October, 7.38; October-November, 7.32½; November-December, 7.38½; December-January, 7.24½; January-February, 7.20½.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 17. — Following an early advance in nearby deliveries of cotton seed oil, the result of short covering, the whole list turned easy in other commodity markets. Crude however, was firmly held. Final prices were 1 to 8 points net lower. Sales, 15,200 barrels. Closed easier. Spot, 9.50; February, 9.60@9.95; March, 9.63@9.70; April, 9.50@9.54; May, 9.42@9.43; June, 9.40@9.47; July, 9.43@9.44; August, 9.43@9.45; September, 9.46@9.47. Total sales, 15,100.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

Heavy Bear Pressure Causes Wide Declines in Prices.

New Orleans, Feb. 17.—Heavy bear pressure caused wide declines in cotton today. At the lowest, prices were 14 to 26 points under yesterday's close. The close was 5 to 20 points under.

Reports of a large acreage to be planted in Texas, rumors of the weakening of spot holders, a press of liquidation in the March option and international political rumors combined to give the market an easy undertone. In the early trading prices were 4 to 9 points down but reacted to within two points of yesterday's close on the strongest old crop months. This strength was only momentary and in the afternoon the market was weakest and most active. October received support which caused it to close 13 points over July, whereas not so long ago these months were selling at the same figure.

Closed steady. Closing bids: March 11.21, May, 11.50; July, 11.17; October, 11.90; December, 12.06.

Spot cotton steady, 13 points off. Sales on the 1,605; to arrive 1,700; middling, 11.13.

WHEAT PRICES ARE LOWER

Increasing Argentine Shipments Give Bears Control of Market—Corn, Oats and Provisions Lower.

Chicago, Feb. 17. — Estimates that Argentine shipments had trebled in volume as compared with a week ago, gave control of the wheat market today to the bears. Prices closed heavy, ⅞ to 1¼c. net lower, with May 1.29@1.29¼, and July 1.22¾. Other speculative articles, too, showed a setback. Corn, ⅝ to ⅝@⅝c., oats ⅞ to 1⅛@1¼c., and provisions, 12½ to 25c.

Grain and provisions closing:

Wheat—May, 1.29; July, 1.22¾.
Corn—May, 78⅞; July, 78¾.
Oats—May, 48⅝; July, 45⅝.
Pork—May, 20.70; July, 20.72.
Lard—May, 10.22; July, 10.40.
Ribs—May, 11.50; July, 11.60.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.30¼@1.31. No. 3, red, 1.28@1.29; No. 2, hard, 1.30; No. 3, hard, 1.25@1.30.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, nominal; No. 4, yellow, 73½; No. 4, white, 72@73½.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Cherokee, Bunnell, Georgetown, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 3,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.) 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 17, 1916.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.
ROSIN—Nominal.
TAR—$2.00-9c.
CRUDE TURPENTINE — $3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 41c.; rosin, nominal; tar, nominal; crude, nominal.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	4
Rosin	14
Tar	16
Crude Turpentine	(—)

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 164 casks; crude turpentine, 2 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—11½c. Quotations, same day last year, 8c.

Receipts—240 bales; same day last year, 737 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 149,874 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 158,071 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 17th.

Atlantic Coast Line—240 bales cotton; 16 barrels tar.

Chauncey T. — 4 casks spirits turpentine; 14 barrels rosin.

Total—240 bales cotton; 4 casks spirits turpentine; 14 barrels rosin; 16 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 17.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 55c. to 60c. per bushel.
IRISH POTATOES—$1.00.
CORN—$1.75 per sack.
BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c; good demand.
PORK—Small, 8@10c. per pound.
WOOL—Burry, 17c to 20c.; first class, 27c.
HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c; dry flint, 17@20c per lb.; good demand.
NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 18c.; sides and shoulders, 14c. to 15c. per pound, good demand.
BEESWAX—Firm, 28c per pound; good demand.
POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 35c head. Geese 55c to 60c per head. Ducks, 35c to 50c owing to quality. Turkeys, 18c per lb., alive.; 20c to 22c dressed.
EGGS—13c. dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 17.—North Carolina Peanuts—New crop, market firm. Fancy hand-picked, 54c.; No. 1, machine picked, 77c. per bushel

Virginia Peanuts—New crop, steady. Jumbos, 66c.; fancy hand-picked, 55c.; No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—New crop firm; No. 1, small, machine-picked, $1.00, Jumbos, 90c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 17. — Spanish: Farmers' stock—Market firm.

First quality, $1.10 per bu. asked; green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock — Market, quiet.

Fancy Jumbo, 3¾c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3½c. per lb.; Prime, 3¼c. per lb.; shelling stock, 2½ to 2¾c. lb.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 17. — Beeves—No trading. Calves, steady. Veals, 9.00@13.00; culls, 7.00@8.50; barn yard calves, 5.50@6.50; yearlings, 5.00@5.75.

Sheep and Lambs—Steady.

Sheep—Steady, 5.50@8.00; culls, 4.00@5.00; lambs, 10.00@12.00; culls, 8.50@9.50.

Hogs—Steady. Light to heavy, 8.40@8.75; roughs, 7.00@7.25; pigs, 8.00@8.25.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 17. — Hogs—Unsettled. Early top, 8.50, was highest point of year. Bulk, 8.15@8.35; light, 7.80@8.40; mixed, 8.05@8.45; heavy, 8.05@8.45; rough, 8.05@8.15; pigs, 6.25@7.40.

Cattle—Irregular. Native beef cattle, 6.60@9.65; stockers and feeders, 5.60@7.30; cows and heifers, 3.15@8.20; calves, 8.75@11.25.

Sheep—Firm. Wethers, 7.75@8.25; ewes, 5.50@8.25; lambs, 9.00@11.50.

STOCKS ARE DEPRESSED

Quoted Values Imparted by Uncertainties of the International Situation—Trading More Narrow.

New York, Feb. 17.—Uncertainties arising from the international situation impaired quoted values today. The financial district was agog with conflicting rumors growing out of the Lusitania affair, and conditions in Mexico also served further to depress specific issues.

Trading was more narrow than at any recent period. The short interest evidently hesitated to pursue its advantage and at times the list bore unmistakable signs of an oversold condition and there was a further absence of substantial support in standard shares, and outside or investment demand seemed at low ebb.

Opening prices were mainly at lower levels followed by variable but inconclusive rallies. Canadian Pacifics recoveries of 2 1-8 points from yesterday's final quotation imparted some steadiness and the relative strength of Crucible Steel, American Can and a few other issues comprising the munitions group also was helpful. These advices were neutralized, however, by recurrent weakness of Petroleums, coppers, sugars, United Fruit and various unclassified shares. Apart from Canadian Pacific and Norfolk & Western rails were without material change with a minimum of offerings.

Among the day's favorable devefopments was an increase in the National Lead Common dividend to the 4 per cent basis, together with advances in prices of baser metals, while industrial companies continued to submit excellent statements of earnings for the past year.

In the bond division, speculative issues were under moderate pressure, while seasoned issues were firm. Total sales of bonds, par value, were $3,930,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	30¼
American Beet Sugar	69½
American Can	62
American Car and Foundry	69¾
American Cotton Oil	B. 53
American Locomotive	65¼
American Smelting	100¼
American Sugar	B.112¼
American Tel and Tel	127½
American Tobacco	190½
Anaconda Copper	89¼
Atchison	102⅞
Atlantic Coast Line	110½
Baldwin Locomotive	108⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	86⅝
Bethlehem Steel	468¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	86
Canadian Pacific	167¾
Central Leather	58⅜
Chesapeake and Ohio	62
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	94¾
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	19
Consolidated Gas	133⅞
Continental Can	80
Crucible Steel	86¼
Erie	37
General Electric	169
Great Northern, pfd	120⅝
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	45¼
Illinois Central	B.103¼
Interborough Consol. Corp	16⅞
Kansas City Southern	26⅛
Lehigh Valley	77
Louisville and Nashville	123½
Liggett and Meyers	B.256½
Lorillard Co	195½
Missouri, Kansas and Tex., pfd	14¼
Missouri Pacific	5
Mexican Petroleum	106
National Lead	68¼
New York Central	105½
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	67⅝
Norfolk and Western	117
Northern Pacific	113
Pennsylvania	56¾
Reading	77½
Rep. Iron and Steel	52½
Seaboard Air Line	17
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	37½
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	B. 57
Studebaker Corp	149
Southern Pacific	99¼
Southern Railway	20½
Southern Railway, pfd	58½
Tennessee Copper	58
Texas Co	207
Texas and Pacific	7⅜
Union Pacific	133¼
United States Rubber	52
United States Steel	83¼
United States Steel, pfd	117
Utah Copper	84⅝
Virginia-Caro. Chem	46⅝
Va. Iron, Coal and Coke	B. 50
Wabash, Pfd., "B" Ctfs	26¾
Western Union	88⅞
Westinghouse Electric	66
United Fruit	146½

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 17. — Cotton goods markets were strong and active today, with higher prices for colored goods. Yarns were firm. Raw silk was easier. Light weight men's wear was in demand for spring deliveries. Further lines of staple dress goods were withdrawn from sale, mills having been unable to take further business.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 17. — Turpentine, nothing doing; last sales, February, 15 at 53; sales, none; receipts, 83; shipments, 11; stock, 10,838.

Rosin—Steady. Sales, 712; receipts, 989; shipments, 1,660; stock, 55,150. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, 5.20; H, I, 5.25; K, 5.55; M, 6.20; N, 6.75; W G, 7.20; W W, 7.50.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 17. — Mercantile paper, 3@3¼. Sterling sixty day bills, 4.70¾; demand, 4.76; cables, 4.76 9-16. Bar silver, 56⅝; Mexican dollars, 43. Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, irregular. Time loans, steady; sixty and ninety days, 2½@2¾. Six months, 2¾@3. Call money, steady. Ruling rate, 1¾.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Feb. 17. — Raw sugar, firm; centrifugal, 5.02; molasses, 4.25; refined, firm.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Steady.

Coffee—Spot, steady; Rio, No. 7, 9¼; Santos, No. 4, 10¾.

The Electric Contractors' Association of Liverpool England, has decided to train a number of women in electrical work in order to release men for military duty.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 18, 1916.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours enging at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 42 degrees; at 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 55 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees; mean, 53 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.94 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayatteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday, 8 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Fair Friday and Saturday, somewhat colder Saturday.

The Port Calendar, February 18, 1916.

Sun rises	6:54 A. M.
Sun sets	5:59 P. M.
Day's length	11 hrs. 4 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	9:30	9:48	4:34	5:05
Southport	7:25	7:38	1:15	1:48
Masonboro Inl	7:14	7:27	12:58	1:28

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.
February 17, 1916.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	clear	76	38	.0
Asheville	clear	66	32	.0
Atlanta	clear	68	40	.0
Augusta	clear	70	40	.0
Baltimore	cldy	50	—	.04
Birmingh	clear	72	42	.0
Boston	cldy	38	30	.08
Charleston	clear	66	42	.0
Charlotte	clear	64	36	.0
Chicago	cldy	50	38	.0
Galveston	clear	68	50	.0
Jackson'v	clear	68	44	.0
Memphis	clear	70	50	.0
Mobile	clear	62	48	.0
Montgom'y	clear	70	40	.0
New Orl	clear	72	50	.0
New York	cldy	44	28	.01
Oklahoma	clear	70	42	.0
Palestine	clear	78	50	.0
Pittsburg	cldy	42	36	.01
Raleigh	clear	66	34	.0
Savannah	clear	68	42	.0
Shreveport	clear	76	50	.0
St. Louis	clear	56	42	.0
Washing'n	cldy	52	34	.0

PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION OF FARMERS IS ORGANIZED.

Formed of the 27 Who Took the Short Course at A. & M. College.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

West Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17.—The four weeks course in Agriculture, which has just closed at the A. & M. College, will be of benefit to far more than the 27 men actually enrolled. These students have organized a "Progressive Association of Farmers" for the ensuing year, the purpose of which is to spread throughout the State a knowledge of improved farming methods as taught in the Winter Course at the college.

In that way it is hoped that the work of the Winter Course will reach hundreds of farmers whom it is impossible for the college to reach directly. At the close of the course, the association adopted the following resolutions:

"Whereas, The North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts has provided a winter course of four weeks duration for the practical instruction of the farmers of the State in agriculture; and

"Whereas, We have been shown kind and courteous treatment from the members of the faculty and student body; and

"Whereas, We have been accorded the free use of all the privileges of the Y. M. C. A. library, and other conveniences; therefore be it

"Resolved, First, That the College be extended the most hearty thanks and due appreciation for the provision of such a course.

"Second, That we thank each individual member of the faculty, under whom we have received instruction, for the sincere interest that they have manifested in our behalf.

"Third, That we recommend the College to all who desire to take advantage of the instruction offered under either the winter course or the regular courses.

"Fourth, That we thank Mr. J. J. King, secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for his whole-hearted generosity in allowing us to enjoy the many privileges of the association to the fullest extent.

"Fifth, That we send a copy of this preamble and resolutions to the president of the college, to each of our faculty instructors, and to the secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

"And, also, that the above preamble and resolutions be recorded in our book of minutes."

TO BE HEARD AT TRINITY.

Dr. Frederick J. Turner, of Harvard, to Speak on Washington's Birthday.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Trinity College, N. C., Feb. 17.—"Sectionalism and the American Union, or Why the Governmental Institutions of the United States Are Unlike Those of Europe," will be the theme of Dr. Frederick J. Turner, professor of American history in Harvard University, who, it was announced today, will deliver the address here at the annual Civic Celebration to be held next Tuesday, Washington's birthday, under the auspices of the 9019, a local patriotic and honor society.

Washington's birthday has always been celebrated here by a suspension of college duties, and during the last 17 years the celebration has taken the form of the Civic Celebration and an address on some phase of citizenship.

Others who have delivered addresses on these occasions in recent years were Dr. William E. Dodd, of the University of Chicago; Secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission R. D. W. Connor, and Dr. E. P. Cheyney, of the University of Pennsylvania.

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No. 62. 3:35 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
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In Effect November 15, 1915.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	8:01 A. M.	7:50 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
.....	.....	.....	b10:31 A. M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	10:56 A. M.	10:46 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:26 P. M.	12:16 P. M.
b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b2:06 P. M.	b1:56 P. M.	b1:46 P. M.
a1:10 P. M.	a1:10 P. M.	ae1:10 P. M.	a2:01 P. M.	a1:50 P. M.	af1:46 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....	a2:36 P. M.	a2:25 P. M.	.....
c d3:35 P.M.	.....	.....	c d3:06 P.M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
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7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....	8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....	8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
1:15 P. M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P.M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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Passengers Panic-Stricken But Not Injured—Fayetteville to Have Bowling Tournament—Politics Warming Up.

(By Ata Biggs.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 17.—A fatal railroad wreck was narrowly averted today about eight miles from here when the Aberdeen & Rockfish passenger train due in Fayetteville at 11:15 had the baggage and passenger car jump the track and bump over the ties for 200 yards. The train was running at about 25 miles per hour when the rails spread, letting the two cars down on the ties.

Passengers were thrown into a panic as the cars reeled and bumped over the ties, Mr. John S. Maultsby, of Montrose, N. C., pulled the cord and signalled the engineer. Just as the train stopped, it was on the edge of a fill and had it gone 15 feet farther, would have tumbled off the embankment and probably have resulted in a heavy loss of life.

None of the passengers was injured, though the ties for 200 yards were all cut in two by the heavy weight of the cars.

Declaring that her brother-in-law had stolen more than 500 pounds of perfectly good meat from her meat house, a negro woman, whose name can not be learned at this time, is here with the purpose of putting the police on his track. Tuesday of this week her husband died and yesterday they started to Snow Hill, near Fayetteville, to bury him. His brother started off with the funeral procession but before it had reached the cemetery, he became violently ill, he said, and would return home.

When the wife returned from her husband's funeral and started to get some meat for the evening meal, she found that her larder had been relieved of the hams from ten hogs, so she says. She declares that her brother-in-law stole the meat, that he was not sick, but jumped at the first chance to get the meat as soon as her husband died.

Preparing for Bowling Tourney.

Final preparations for the holding of a bowling tournament here on the 22nd of this month have been made. The Florence, S. C., team yesterday wired that they would be here on time. This will set the pace for bowling in this State, it was said today, because it is the first tournament to be held on a large scale in the State. A large crowd of South Carolina people are expected to attend, as well as a large contingent from the surrounding towns in this section.

Working in connection with Rev. Joel S. Snyder, Mayor Gibbs has been around town taking a collection to raise money for two girls of a comedy company that went stranded here, and who are without means. Yesterday the money was presented to the girls, with the injunction that they must buy tickets and go home. Both of them declared most emphatically that they would not accept it; that they would not go home, but would go anywhere they could get a job.

Roads in Cumberland county may be built much on the same order as those of Craven county, according to the chairman of the board of county commissioners, who recently paid a visit to Newbern and inspected the roads in Craven.

The roads in this county are what is known as a "sand-clay" and should the new form of road material be introduced, will be covered with a combination of Lillington gravel and given a coat of Tarvia.

Capt. McNeill in Race.

Town politics are going to be warm this year. Quite a number are grooming up for the run for mayor. The first ward is out already with a candidate, Capt. Jim McNeill, well known in the Cape Fear section, and it is expected that he will give the others a close run for their money. Alderman Buckingham will also be in the race, it is said. Mayor Gibbs, the present mayor, will not run again, it is understood.

CABINET GOSSIP POINTS TO HOUSTON AS WAR SECRETARY

Lawrence Young Suggested to President as Assistant Secretary.

Washington, Feb. 17.—Cabinet gossip today took a strong trend toward the possible transfer of Houston to the War Department. Representative Asbury F. Lever, of South Carolina, chairman of the House Agricultural committee, was being discussed as Secretary of Agriculture. It is known that the possibility of the transfer of Secretary Houston has received serious consideration.

Lawrence W. Young, adjutant general of North Carolina, was suggested to President Wilson today by Senators Simmons and Overman for assistant Secretary of War.

WAGE CONFERENCE SUSPENDED.

Soft Coal Operators and Miners to Meet Again in New York.

Mobile, Ala., Feb. 17.—Unable to reach an agreement in this city on a new wage scale for the western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois soft coal fields, the miners and operators of the central competitive territory today decided to suspend negotiations for one week. The joint conference, which has been endeavoring since February 8 to draw an interstate contract, will meet again in New York on February 24 in the same hotel where the operators from the anthracite fields will confer with the hard coal miners on February 21.

INVITED TO ASHEVILLE.

President Asked to Attend Gathering of Governors There.

Washington, Feb. 17.—President Wilson was asked by Senators Simmons and Overman today to visit Asheville to attend a gathering of governors of states near North Carolina on a date he should select. He said he would accept if possible. The senators told the President an invitation would be extended for him to visit Charlotte on May 20.

NAVAL COLLIER SOLD.

N. H. Busey, Jr., Pays $301,107 for the Justin at San Francisco.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The naval collier Justin at San Francisco was sold today to N. H. Busey, Jr., of New York, for $301,107. The navy purchased it for $145,000 just prior to the Spanish-American war.

PITT COUNTY CONVICTS ARE BEING ROUNDED UP

Guard McLawhorn, Brained With Pick-Axe, is Dead.

Several of the Seven Escaped Men Have Been Caught; Others Said to be Surrounded in Woods Last Night.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Greenville, N. C., Feb. 17.—Joseph McLawhorn, the county convict guard who was brained with a pick-axe by a negro convict late yesterday, died last night, there having been no hope for his survival from the first. Charles Brewer and Lonnie Twine, two of the seven convicts who escaped following the assault upon Guard McLawhorn, were caught today by a farmer of whose wife the fugitives asked food. They were taken back to the convict camp.

They say Dave Evans, who fatally assaulted McLawhorn, is wounded in the face and side and that he, being unable to keep up with his pals, was left behind last night. The whereabouts of Evans is unknown tonight. Paul Nixon, captured near Black Jack and brought to jail late this afternoon, says the other three are surrounded in the woods and may be captured at any time. Bloodhounds have been used effectively in rounding up the gang.

Owing to the excitement and every one going out to the scene of the crime, it was hard to get any definite news of the affair last night. It seems that the guard, Joe McLawhorn, said something to Dave Evans about his work and threatened to whip him if he did not do better. Dave replied that he would never be whipped again. McLawhorn walked on and Dave struck him with his pick, laying open McLawhorn's head on the left side from on top to the base of his brain at the back. McLawhorn fell and never knew anything about what struck him.

Dave then took McLawhorn's gun and commanded the other guard to throw down his gun. The guard did not and Evans shot at him but missed. The demand to throw down his gun was repeated, but the guard fired on Dave, who again fired but missed. The guard's gun failed to fire again and Dave fired three more shots at him, each missing its mark. Then waving the gun at the other convicts, Evans defied any one to molest him. He then proceeded to leave and six others followed him, six remaining convicts refusing to follow them. Those escaping took one or two axes with them and also McLawhorn's gun.

A mile or two from there they went to a negro's house and got another axe and with these they cut their shackles from their legs. The shackles were found piled together in the woods. They then made their way on towards Black Jack and were seen near Galloway's Cross Roads, where an alarm was given and efforts made to head them off. That was the last seen or heard of them last night and they were going towards Shelmerdine. Soon after the escape bloodhounds were ordered from Tarboro and they got here about 9 o'clock. They were taken down to Shelmerdine.

LIVE STOCK DEVELOPMENT IS TAKING HOLD IN WILSON.

Many Citizens Buying Thoroughbred Cattle—Silos Built.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 17.—Livestock development is taking a strong hold on Wilson county men, as is evidenced by recent developments. The Wilson County Livestock Association has adopted the Aberdeen Angus as its official brand of beef cattle and deep interest is being manifested.

During the past few weeks pure bred bulls have been purchased by W. J. Davis, F. M. Miller, Graham Woodard, Amos Hayes, W. F. Woodard, T. W. Williams and Dr. C. C. Crocker. In addition R. G. Briggs, R. J. Grantham and T. W. Williams have purchased and brought in pure bred cows. Silos have been built, and big cattle barns are being erected in several sections of the county. Not cattle alone, but hogs are also being raised in large numbers and of better grades. A movement is now on foot to invite the next meeting of the North Carolina Livestock Association for Wilson and the promoters are hopeful of success.

NURSES GOOD INVESTMENT.

Newbern Employs Graduate Nurse for Colored People Also.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17.—A graduate colored visiting nurse, who will give her whole time to the health and welfare of the colored people of Newbern, has recently been employed by the people of that city. This makes the second nurse that Newbern has employed, the first being Miss Gibbs, a Red Cross visiting nurse. So satisfactory and helpful has been the work of Miss Gibbs among the white people, especially her work in the schools, that the city is moved to employ a colored nurse for bettering the health conditions of her colored people.

Prof. H. B. Smith, superintendent of the Newbern public schools, writes to Dr. G. M. Cooper, of the State Board of Health, the following:

"The colored people here acted on the suggestion you made to them the day you were here, and raised the money for a nurse. We have engaged one, and she goes to work the first of March. A graduate nurse is to fill the position, and I am assured that she is a good one. She will work under the direction of Miss Gibbs, our nurse for white people. Newbern now has two nurses employed, one for white and one for colored. I am greatly pleased with the excellent results we are getting from the employment of public nurses."

SOMETHING NEW IN WARSAW.

Chief of Police Herring Buys Himself a Uniform Suit.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 17.—Warsaw is to have her first uniformed policeman. Mr. O. W. Herring, the recently appointed chief of police, has had his uniform ordered, and will soon be upholding the law and striking terror to the hearts of small boys who ride their bicycles on the sidewalks, resplendent in blue cloth and brass buttons. He has already begun to oversee the street work, and those streets receiving attention show a marked improvement. It is hoped that this attention will be extended to other neglected streets of the city.

BISHOPS OPPOSE THE POLICY OF REPRISAL

Air Raids Denounced By the Church of England

Archbishop of Canterbury Warns Against Danger of Dishonorable Conduct of War—Bishop of Bangor Defends Reprisal.

London, Feb. 17.—The Church of England today took a stand against a policy of reprisal. The bishops in convocation today at Canterbury Cathedral adopted a resolution against air raids "which have as a deliberate object the killing or wounding of non-combatants."

The archbishop of Canterbury said the bishops desired to encourage all possible energy in the prosecution of the war, but that there was danger of drifting into ways which would have unhesitatingly been condemned as dishonorable a few years ago.

"We feel", said the archbishop, "that one of our foremost desires surely is that, when by the mercy of God this fearful conflict comes to an end, we should enter upon a discussion of a settlement with clean hands—that we should have nothing, therefore, of which to be ashamed."

The Bishop of Bangor alone opposed the resolution. "In a war like this," said the bishop, "we cannot separate combatants from non-combatants. The strengthening of the blockade against Germany involves the making of war on women and children. If we could send a hundred aeroplanes to drop bombs on the rich business part of Frankfort the effect produced would be felt from end to end of Germany, and the sending of Zeppelins to this country would be denounced as a blunder, as inexcusable, as a crime. If a son of mine were asked to join in a punitive expedition on a German town, I would advise him to go and do his duty."

AMERICANS GIVEN PROTECTION THAT IS WITHIN REASON

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ary governments it is of a military character, but that government has committed itself to the holding of elections, and it is confidently expected that the present government will within a reasonable time be merged in or succeeded by a government organized under the constitution and laws of Mexico.

"After July, 1914, the revolutionary party became divided into factions, thereby delaying the pacification of the country, meanwhile this government took no action, hoping that these factions would, by reunion, be able to restore order. As this desirable result had not been accepted up to June 2, 1915, the President's statement of that date, containing a warning to the leaders of the factions, was telegraphed to the American consular officers in Mexico for circulation.

"Several weeks later, the factional differences seemed to be no nearer to a settlement, this government sounded the six ranking diplomatic representatives of Latin-America as to whether they would confer with this government in regard to formulating some practicable plan if possible for the solution of the Mexican problem.

"Under instruction from their respective governments these representative governments signified their desire to co-operate with this government and the first conference with the representatives was held last August.

Appeal of American Governments.

"As a result the ambassadors of Argentina, Brazil and Chile, the ministers of Bolivia, Uruguay and Guatemala and the Secretary of State of the United States signed an appeal to the civil and military leaders of the revolutionary factions in Mexico, suggesting that the latter hold a conference to discuss a peaceful settlement of their differences and offered to act as intermediaries. Identical communications in this sense were under date of August 13 and 14, last, sent by telegraph to all generals, governors and other leaders known to be exercising civil or military authority in Mexico.

"The attempt to bring the factions together for a conference failed. Substantially all the commanders associated with General Villa replied directly and independently in varied languages accepted the suggestion for a conference. On the other hand, all the commanders affiliated with General Carranza replied briefly to the effect that the appeal had been referred to General Carranza, whose superior authority they acknowledged.

"The inference to be drawn was plain. On the one hand, there seemed to be a central organization among the Villaista forces, while on the other hand submission to a central authority was evidenced in the replies of the Carranzistas. The unity and loyalty of the Carranzistas appeared to indicate the ultimate triumph of that faction, especially as the Carranzista force was then in control of approximately 75 per cent of the territory of Mexico. Accordingly the conferees decided unanimously to recommend to their respective governments that the government of which General Carranza was the leader should be recognized.

Norwal Conditions Along Border.

"As to the ability of the de facto government to fulfill its promises to protect lives and properties along the border, the undersigned has the honor to call your attention to the fact that since assurances in this respect were given the disturbances along the border have in a large measure ceased. It will be seen from reports from the War Department, appended hereto, that conditions along the border are practically normal.

"The Department's information indicates that the de facto government is now in control of all but a few sections of Mexico, and that bearing in mind that the nation is just emerging from years of domestic strife, it may be said that within the territory which it controls it is affording reasonably adequate protection to the lives and property of American citizens.

"It should be stated, however, that the lawless conditions which have long continued throughout a large part of Mexico are not easy to remedy, and that the great number of bandits who have infested certain districts cannot be suppressed immediately and it may be expected that they would commit sporadic outrages upon lives and property.

"It is not considered compatible with the public interest to transmit to the Senate at the present time the correspondence regarding political conditions in Mexico. Much of this correspondence is of a highly confidential nature submitted by the consular officers of the United State, by diplomatic or consular officers of other governments, which have graciously consented that their officers supply this government with information during the necessary absence of American representatives and any other persons residing in Mexico.

"It may be added that the papers requested by the Senate resolution comprise thousands of documents, the greater part of which set forth individual opinion and suggestions from different points of view and therefore contain a mass of divergent and contradictory matter, incapable of reduction to a harmonious statement of fact.

"Concerning the occupation and evacuation of Vera Cruz, the undersigned has the honor to enclose a copy of Admiral Fletcher's telegram to the Secretary of the Navy dated April 9, 1914, quoting a telegram from Admiral Mayo, reporting the arrest at Tampico of the paymaster and a boat's crew of the U. S. S. Dolphin, a copy of the letter from the Secretary of the Navy, dated January 9, 1916, and an extract from a letter from the Secretary of War, dated January 26, 1916, hereinbefore mentioned as enclose No. 6 in which reference is made to border conditions.

Informal Negotiations Begun.

"When the arrest of the men mentioned was reported to the Department of State informal negotiations were begun with the Huerta government with a view to settling the difficulty, but owing to the refusal of General Huerta to comply with Admiral Mayo's demand for a salute, the negotiations were suspended. The American consuls in Mexico were informed by telegraph on April 20, 1914, that the negotiations had been suspended and that the President would lay the matter before the Congress on that date, with a view to taking such action as might be necessary to obtain reparation for the offense against the flag and the navy of the United States, and they were instructed to advise Americans to withdraw from Mexican territory.

"On September 15, 1914, at 7 P. M., the Department of State dispatched a telegram to the minister of Brazil at Mexico City, temporarily in charge of American interests, for delivery by him to Vice Consul Silliman when the latter was instructed to say to General Carranza that the President was arranging to withdraw the American troops from Vera Cruz and that he desired that some responsible authority be named to whom the custom house could be turned over. On September 22, 1914, a telegram was sent to the minster of Brazil in which the Carranza government was requested to give certain assurances in regard to the payment of taxes, treatment of refugees at Vera Cruz, and other matters. A copy of this telegram is enclosed herewith.

"On November 10, 1914, the minister of Brazil at Mexico City telegraphed General Carranza's reply to the assurances requested on September 22. A copy of this telegram is enclosed herewith.

Americans Who Have Lost Lives.

"I have also the honor to append a list, enclosure No. 12, of the citizens of the United States who from various causes have lost their lives in Mexico during the years 1913, 1914 and 1915. The total is 76. From the latter part of February, 1913, when the military operations against General Huerta began, to the close of the year 1915, a period of 34 months, a great portion of the territory of Mexico was the scene of domestic strife. Yet it may be noted that during the year 1910, 1911 and 1912, when a much smaller area was disturbed by war, 47 Americans lost their lives in Mexico and this was at a time when the country was assumed to be at peace, since the Madero revolution which began on November 20, 1910, lasted only six months.

"While 76 Americans lost their lives in the entire territory of Mexico during the years 1913, 1914 and 1915, in the same period there were 20 civilian Americans and 16 American soldiers killed on American soil adjacent to the international boundary and during these years there were approximately 92 Mexicans killed in the same area. These figures indicate that a condition of lawlessness prevailed along the border, due in a large measure to factional conflict in Mexican territory for ports of entry, and to the unfriendly personal relations existing between the American and Mexican residents in that region. The department, however, has no reliable information as to the number of Mexicans killed on the Mexican side of the boundary and its immediate vicinity as a consequence of this state of disorder."

JUDGE STACY PLEASES.

Members of Windsor Bar Pay New Hanover Man High Tribute.

Windsor, N. C., Feb. 17.—Superior court is in session. A small criminal docket has been disposed of. Owing to illness of an attorney in several cases the civil docket has become very small. Hon. W. P. Stacy, judge presiding, is giving satisfaction. He opened court promptly on time on Monday morning with the thermometer down below the freezing point.

A member of the local bar says of Judge Stacy:

"He is a clear thinker and expresses himself well. He has a merical and just mind, and his judgments meet the public expectation. He hears with patience. He decides with firmness. He is bold, without explosions, and prompt without pyrotechnics. He is a plain, honest, fair minded, able North Carolina judge. His performance of duty is good evidence of the wisdom of Governor Craig in appointing him judge."

It has also been learned here that at the Halifax term of Superior court, at which Judge Stacy presided before coming to this place, the members of the bar adopted resolutions of appreciation of the able and satisfactory manner in which Judge Stacy presided, but at the request of Judge Stacy they were not published.

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Schooner Margaret, in Leaky Condition, Towed Into Norfolk.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The schooner Margaret, which was picked up off the North Carolina coast yesterday by the coast guard cutter Onondaga, was towed into Norfolk today by the cutter, according to a message received at coast guard headquarters. The Margaret was leaking badly. The cutter Seminole was directed by wireless to go to the assistance of two barges reported in distress near Cape Hatteras.

"YOUNG MAN, TELL THE WHOLE TRUTH AND STOP," SAYS KING.

Durham Editor Addresses Trinity Students of Journalism.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Durham, N. C., Feb. 17.—Editor Joe H. King, of the Durham Morning Herald, known widely in this State and others for his unique editorial paragraphs, last night spoke to the Quill Club, an organization of newspaper correspondents and other students interested in newspaper work, on the subject of "Practical Newspaper Work". The chief point of Mr. King's lecture was, in his own words: "For God's sake, young men, tell the whole truth and stop."

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